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Princess's Theatre.—Having, on the occasion of his first essay [Athen. No. 1055], credited Signor Schira with power to improve, we were disappointed at finding his second opera, 'The Orphan of Geneva,' inferior to his 'Mina.' The new work contains little inferior to his 'Mina.' The new work contains little or no melody, as distinguished from phrases in bars which are every one's property,—no advance in its orchestral treatment;—and the only piece possessing a certain individuality is the effective unaccompanied morceau in the first finale, which, though very difficult, was well executed. In truth, the production is ome to have been passed over in silence had not the audience resolved otherwise. More brilliantly received a new 'Barbiere' could not have been. So long as—and wherever—such welcomes are possible to such music, there is no chance for English—or for any—opera. Trash cannot be accepted as though it were treasure, without harm all round: and such pain as our open protest may give to Signor Schira is chargeable on his friends and the public,—not on anyill-will of ours. Of the libretto—an arrangement of an old melo-drama, 'Thérèse,' happily laid aside for many years past—we decline speaking. Miss Pyne sang with great steadiness, finish, and volubility. Her voice more than once sounded tired;—but how can it be otherwise after having sung six nights a week for four months? The other principal vocalists were Mr. Allen, Mr. Weiss, and Mr. Latter. The last gentleman articulates so clearly as to make it worth his while to nourish his limited voice with a view to buffo occupation. Let us hope that he or any one else thus "plotting" comicality may find better occupation than the aria with which Mr. Wynn favoured us,—in which Cremorne familiarities were set to fade Italian phrases. Yet this, too, got its rapturous encore.

May 4. 1850 or no melody, as distinguished from phrases in bars

The Late Signor Schira.

(London Musical Standard.)

Readers will be sorry to learn that Signor Francesco Schira died at his London residence on Monday night. He had only recently returned from Milan, where he had completed a new comic opera. Signor Schira was born at Malta in 1815, and was educated at the Milan Conservatory. In 1842 he came to London, here teaching many artists of eminence. He was successively

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The lamented composer and teacher was a man of rare musical sifts. His devotion to teaching naturally led to his neglect of composition; this is, alas! a common story to tell of musical men. His rare faculty for impassioned melody; his admirable sense of proportion yet bold use of form; his intimate acquaintance with the voice, knowledge of the orchestral effects, and general y sound judgment as a writer, would, had he given more time to musical composition, produced results which could only have been anticipated by those who knew his exceptional talents. As a teacher of singing Signor Schira had long held an honored position in England, and his many pupils and many admiring Friends will not forget him now. He lives here only by the memory of his works, and in the tender regard of these who claimed his friendship and recognized his great talents.



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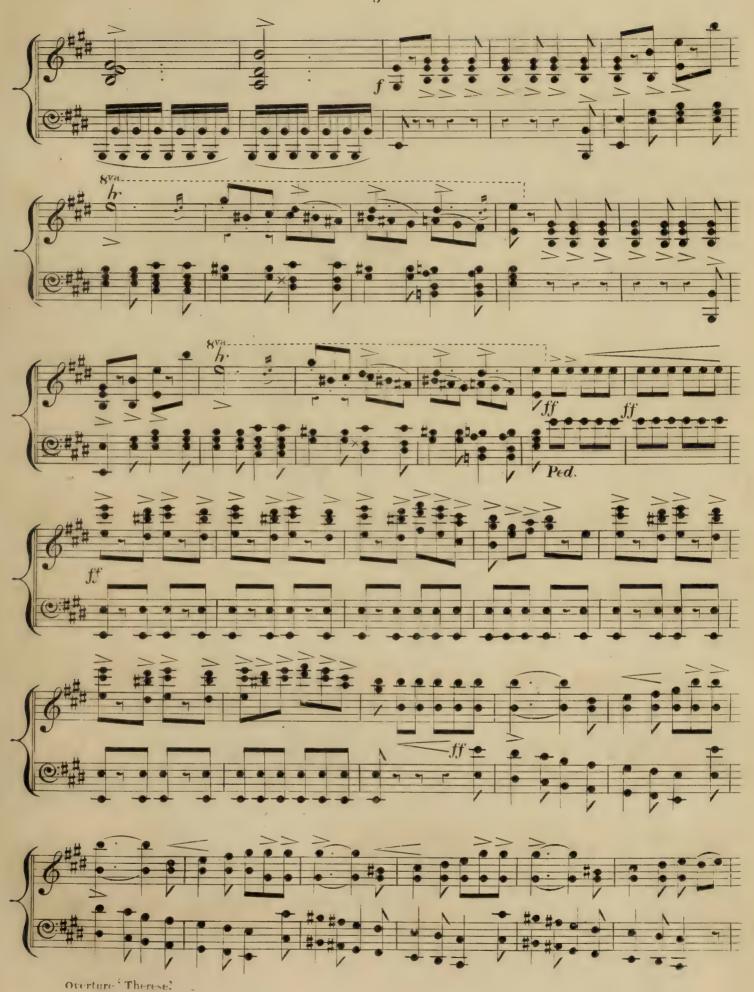
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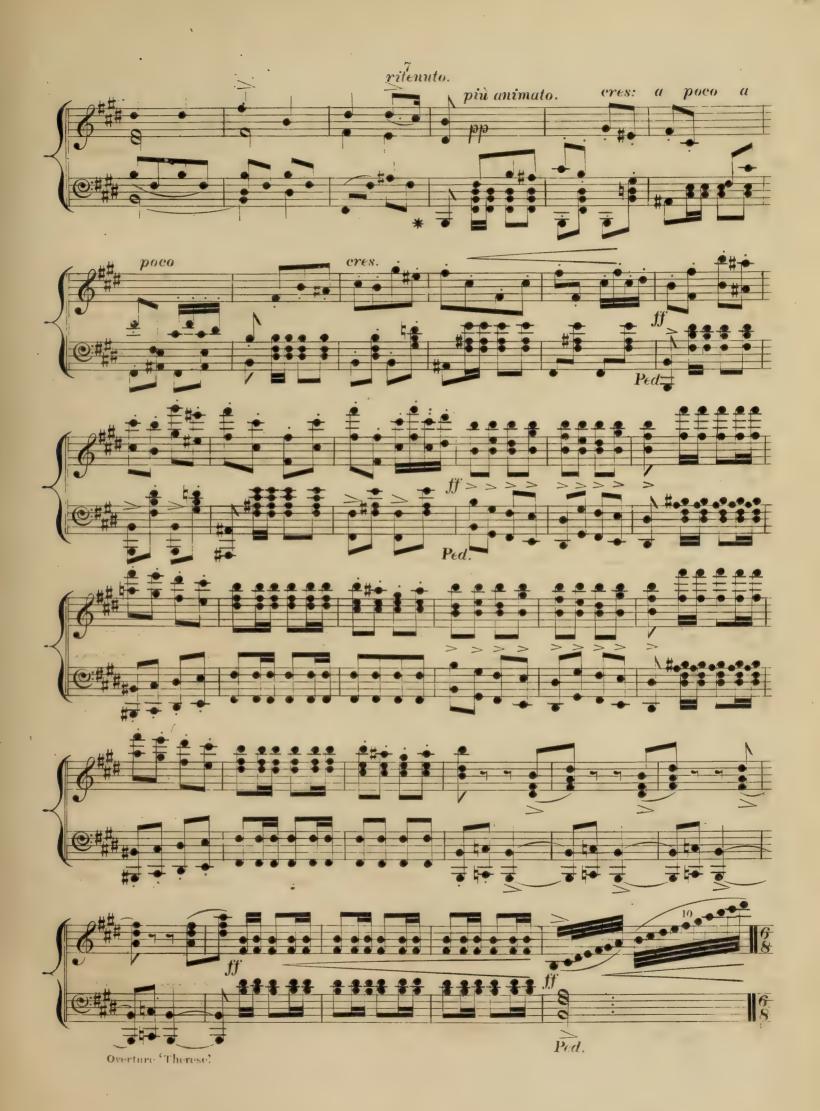
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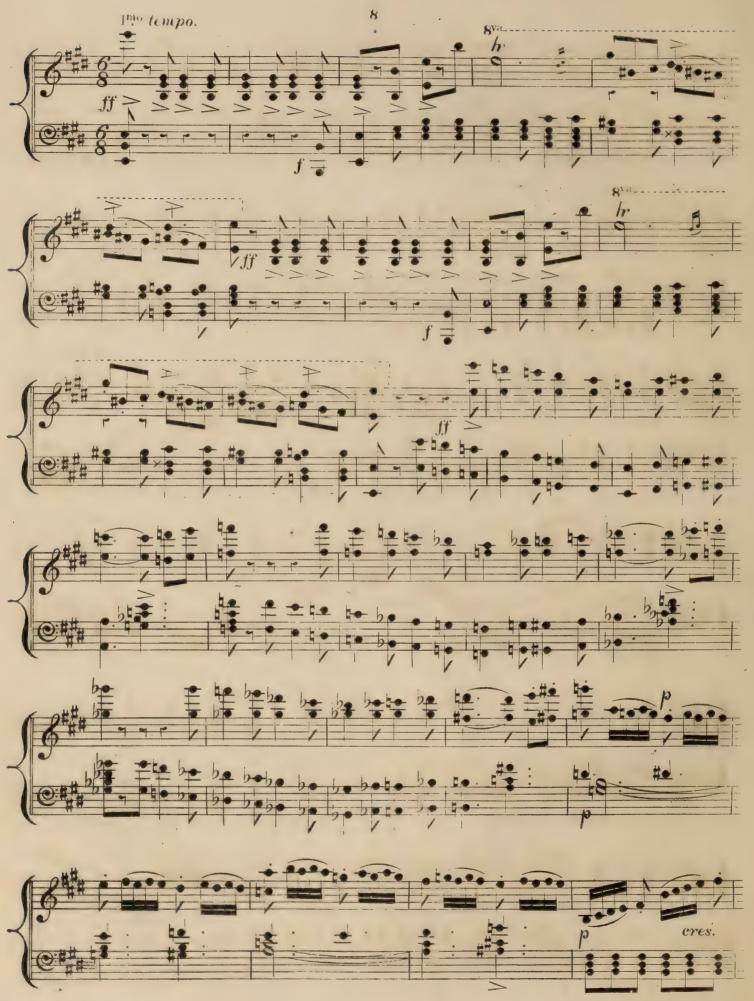






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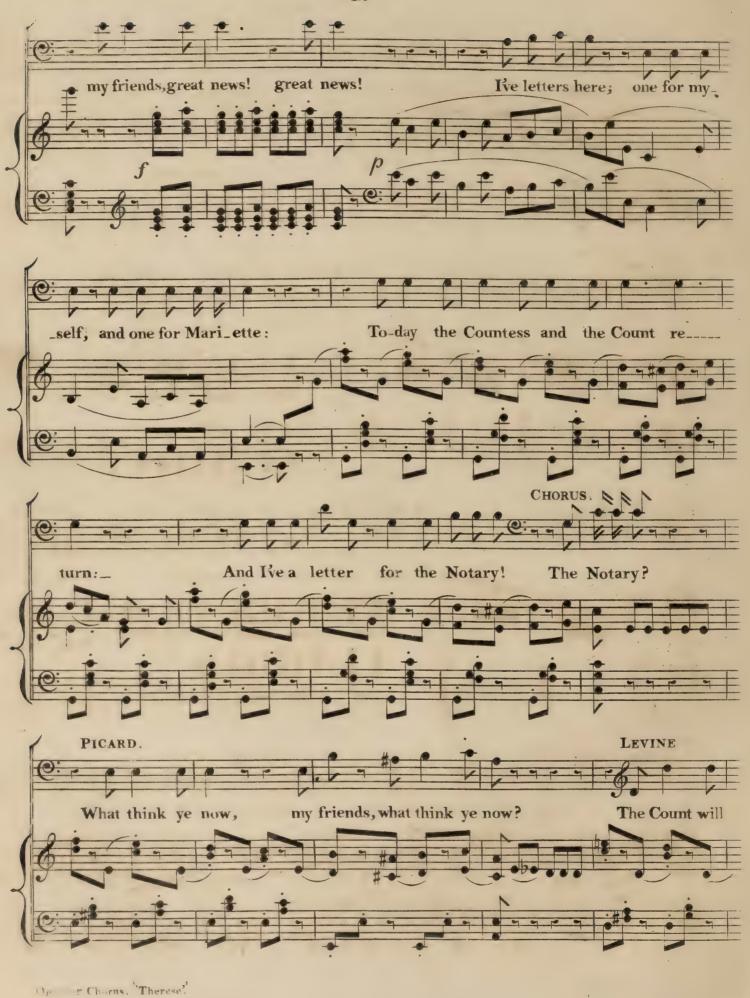


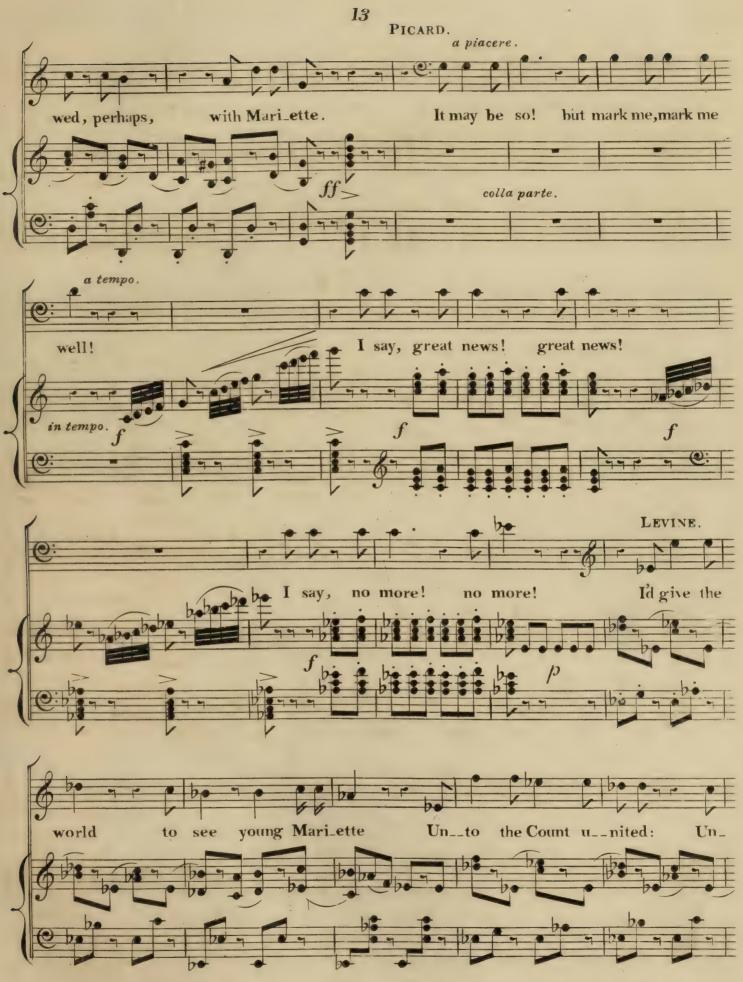


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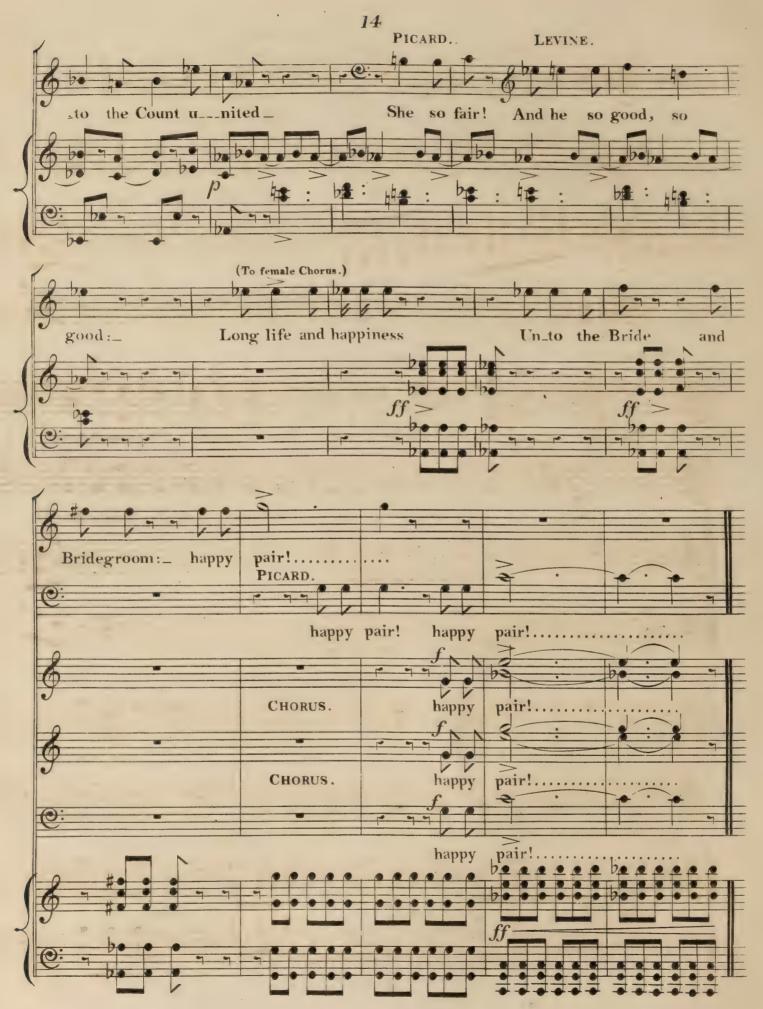


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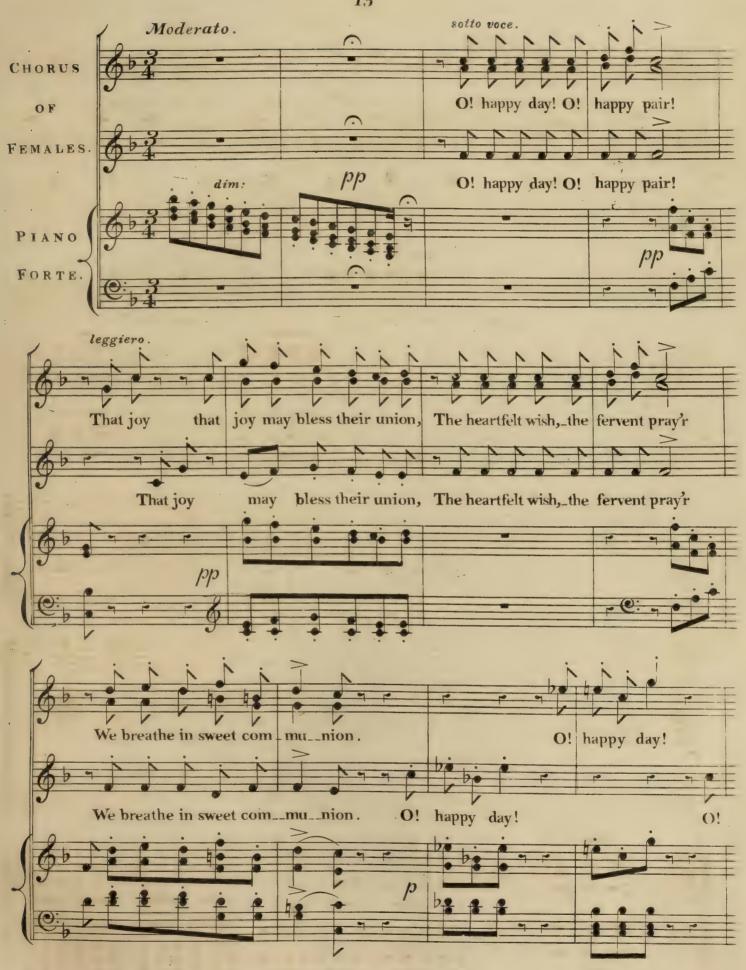




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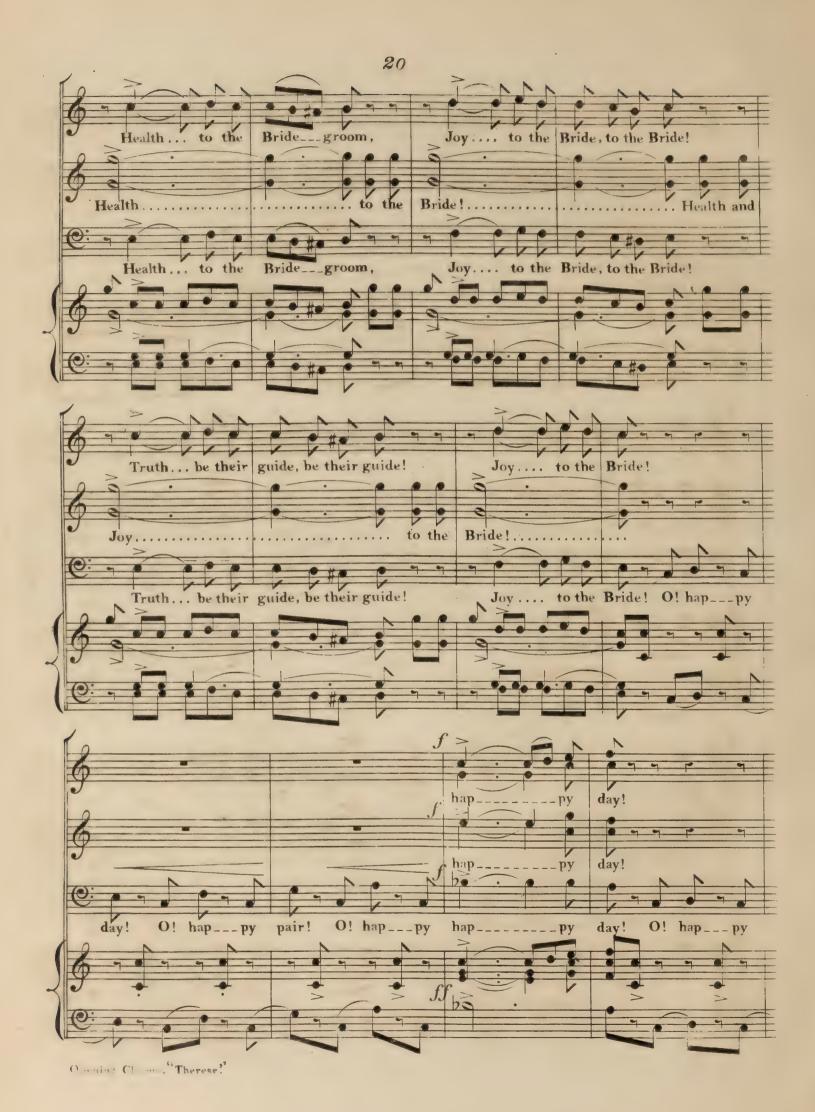
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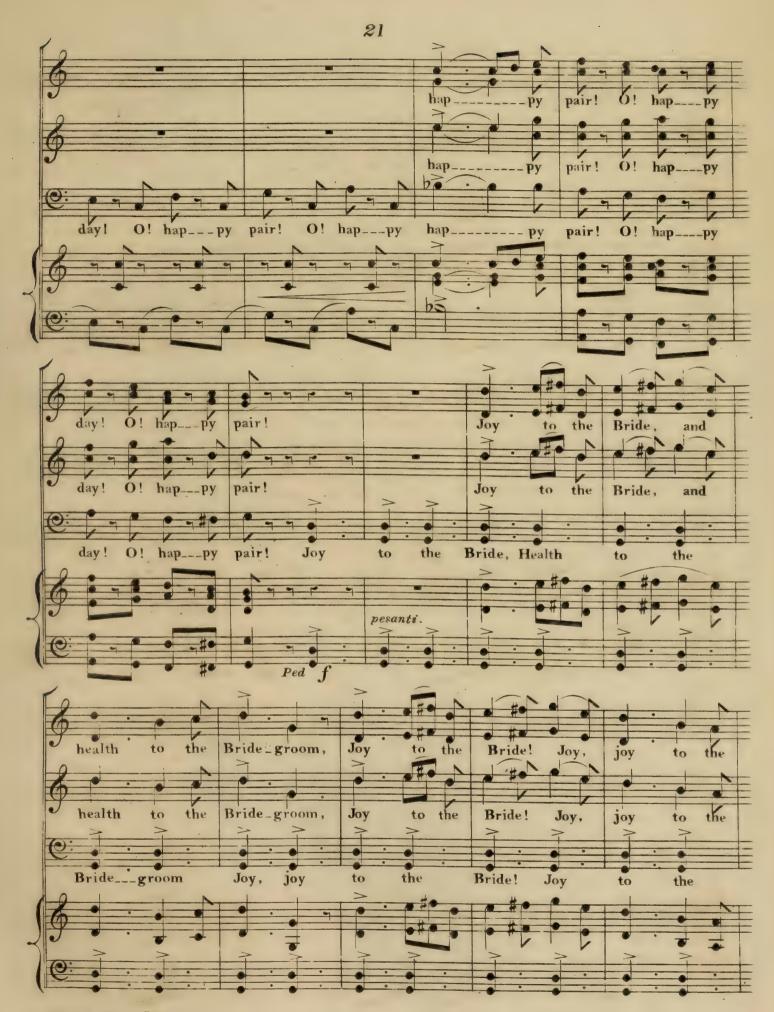




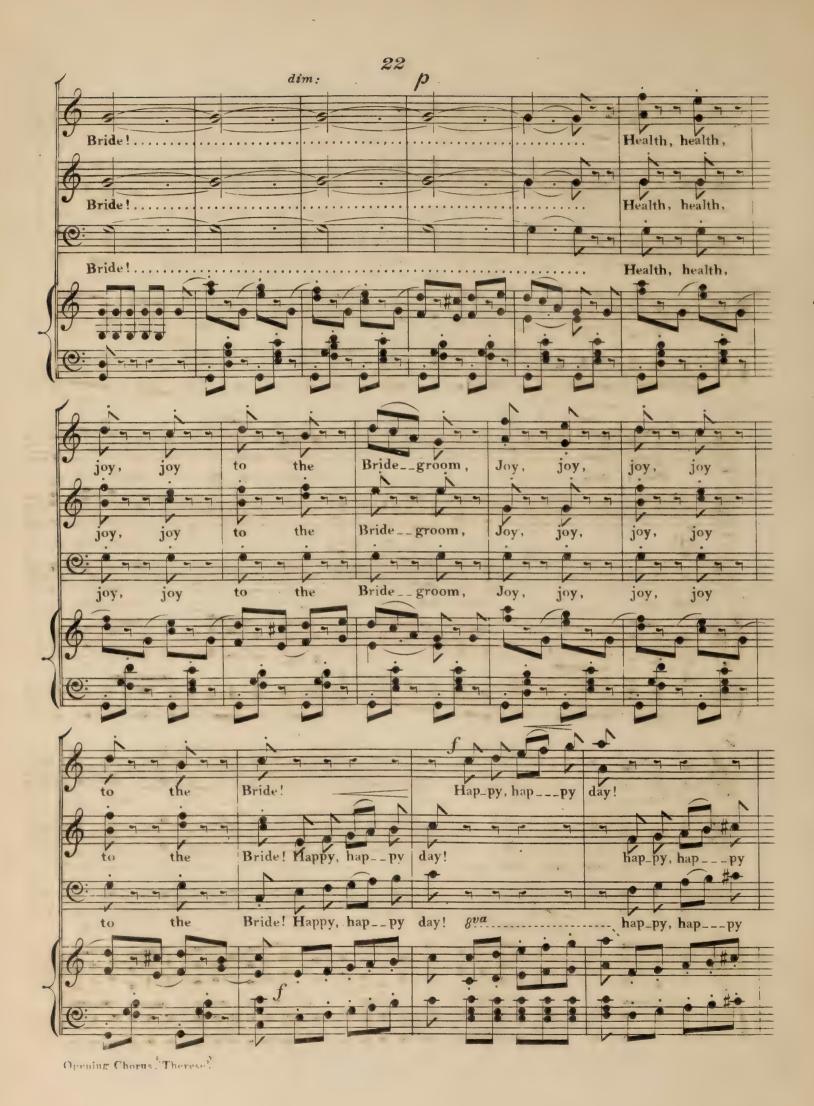




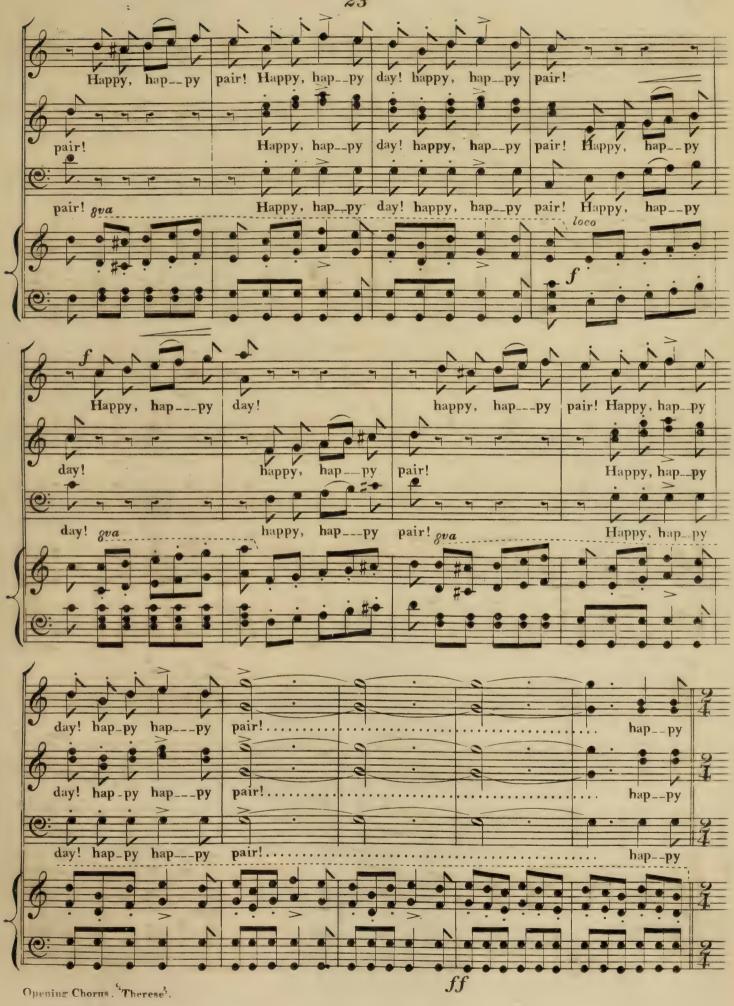


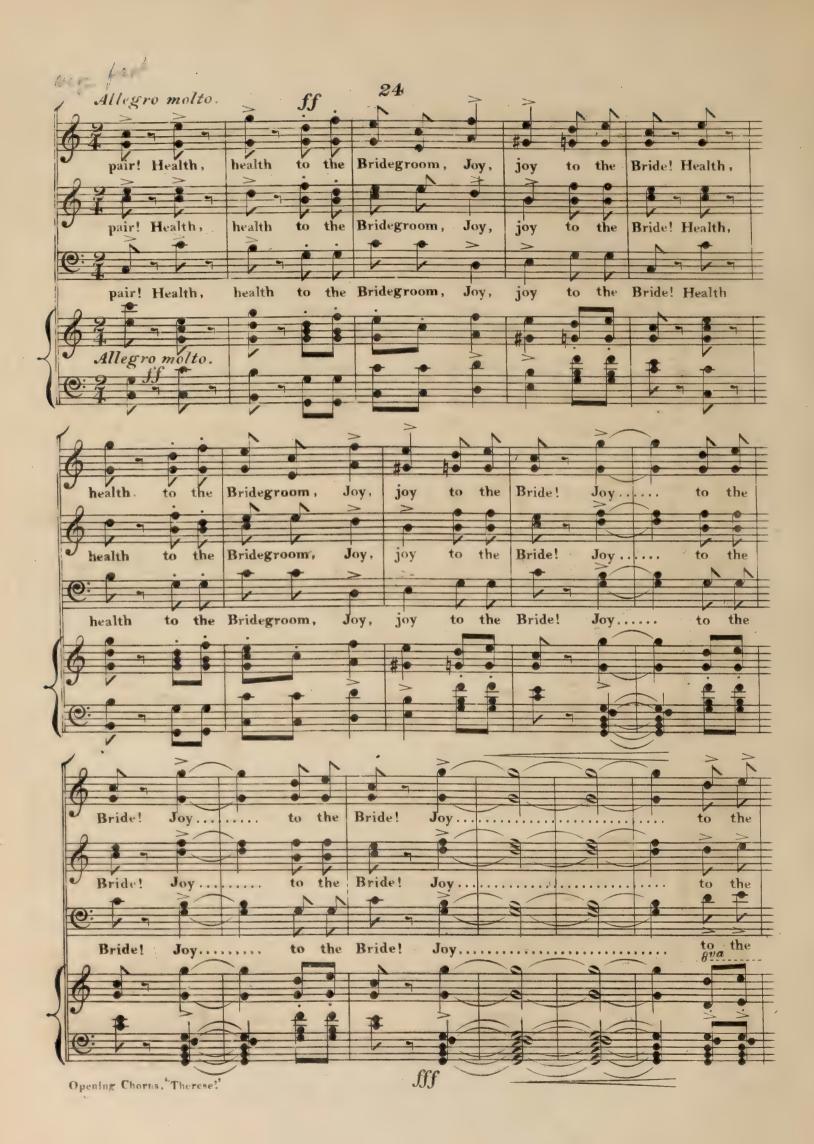


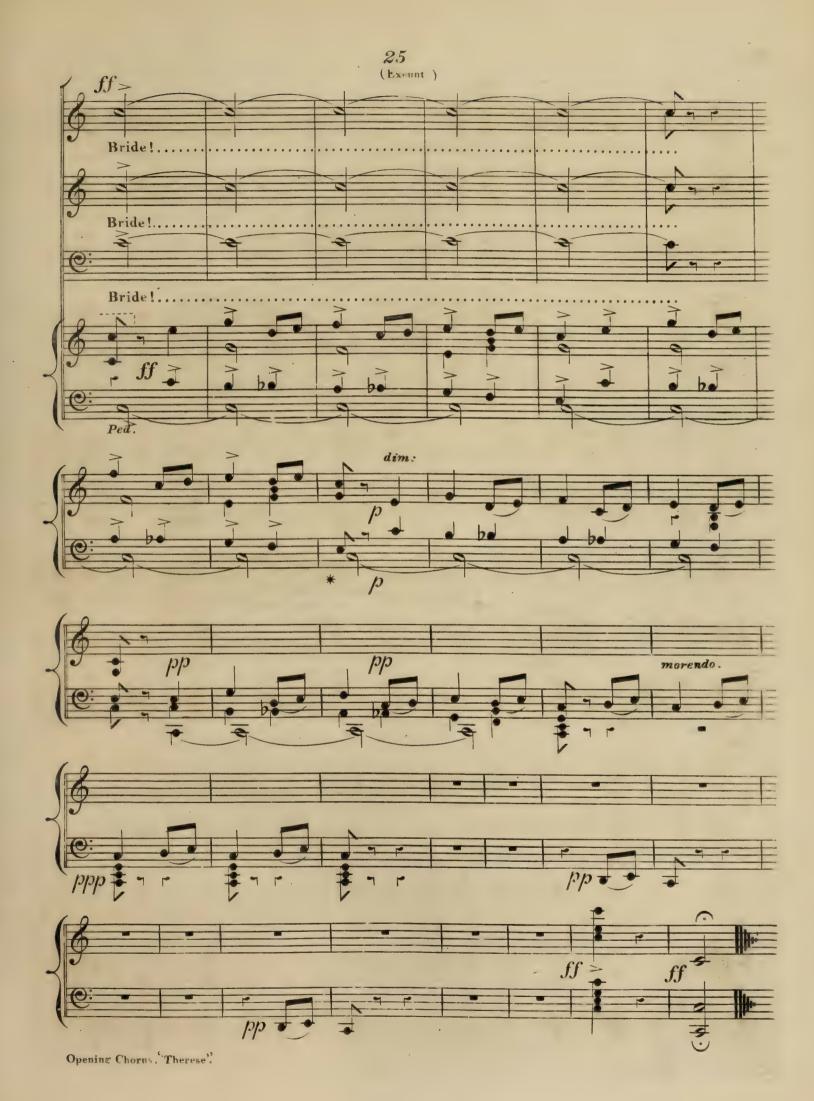
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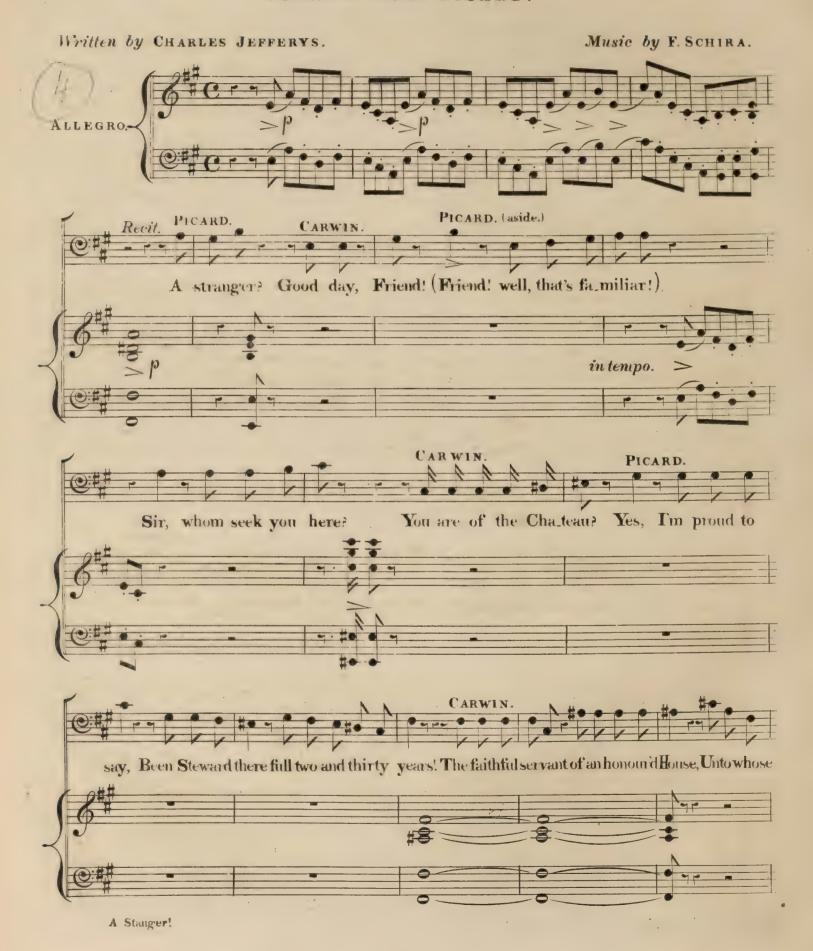


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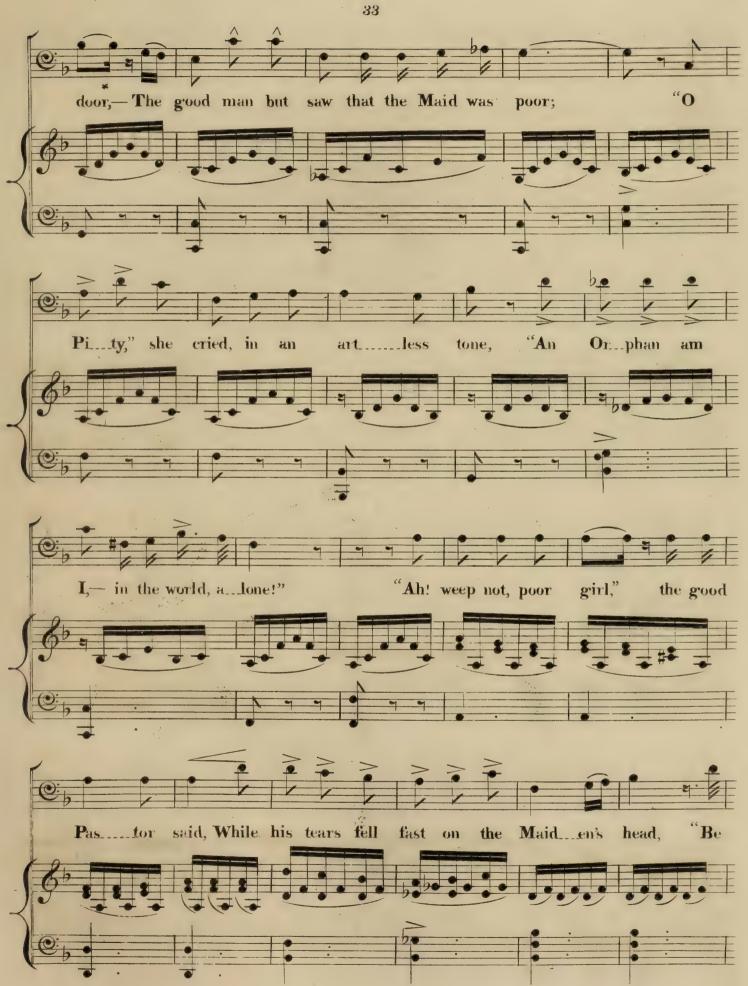
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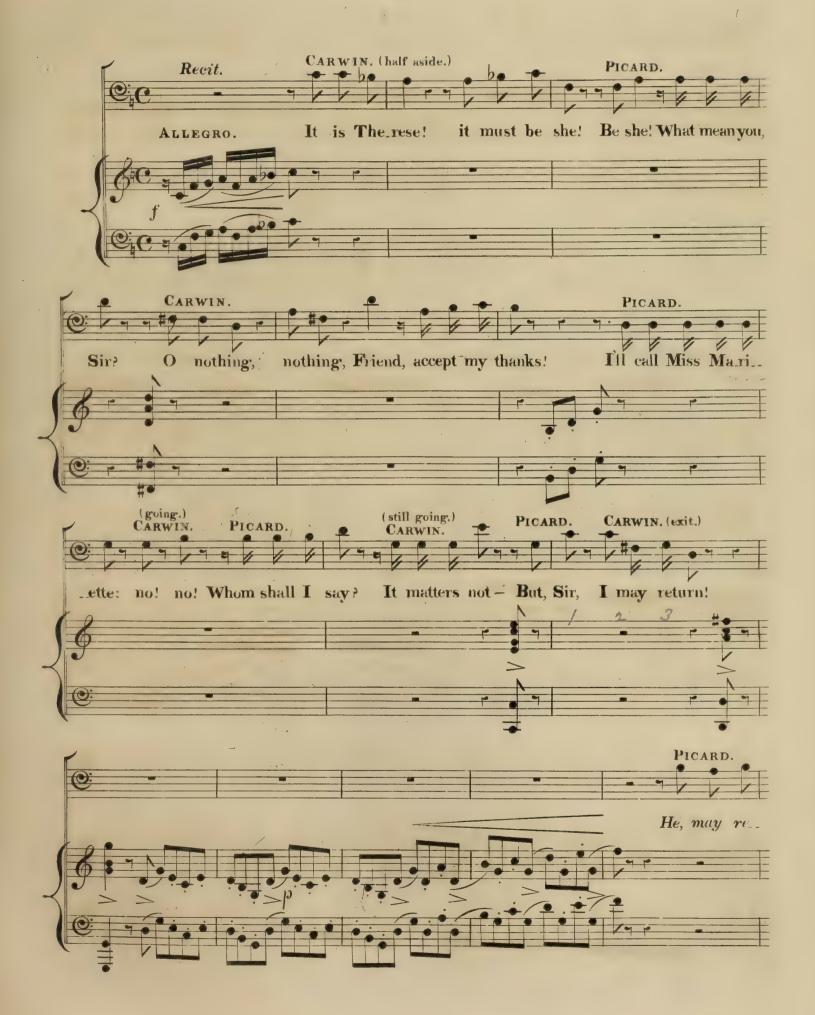
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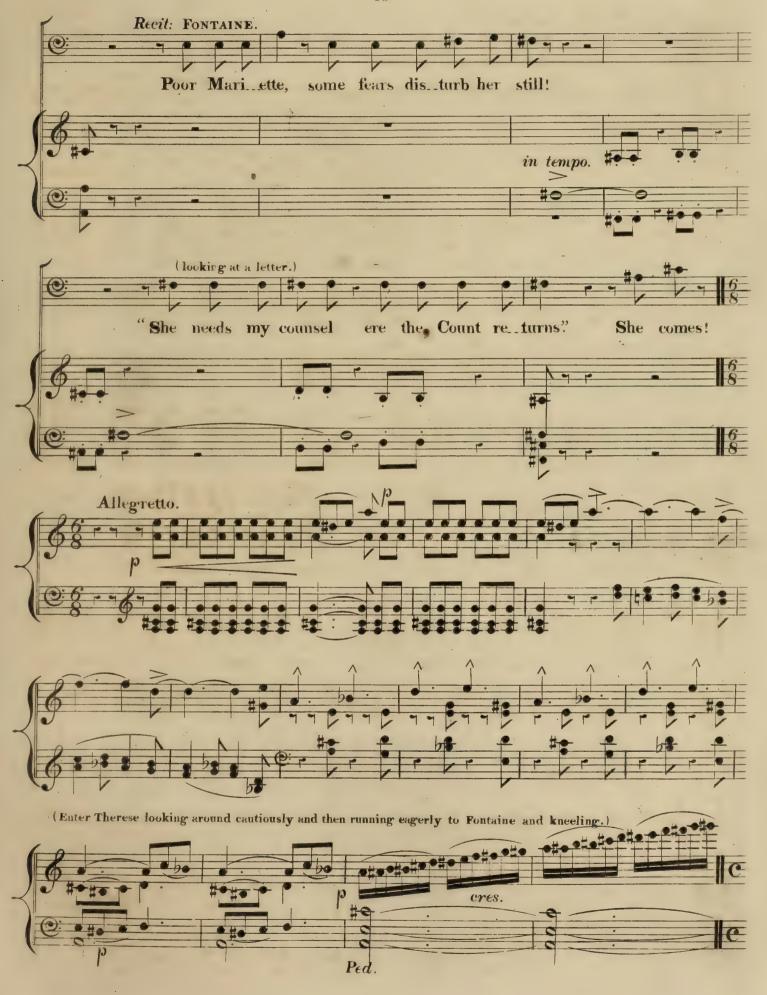
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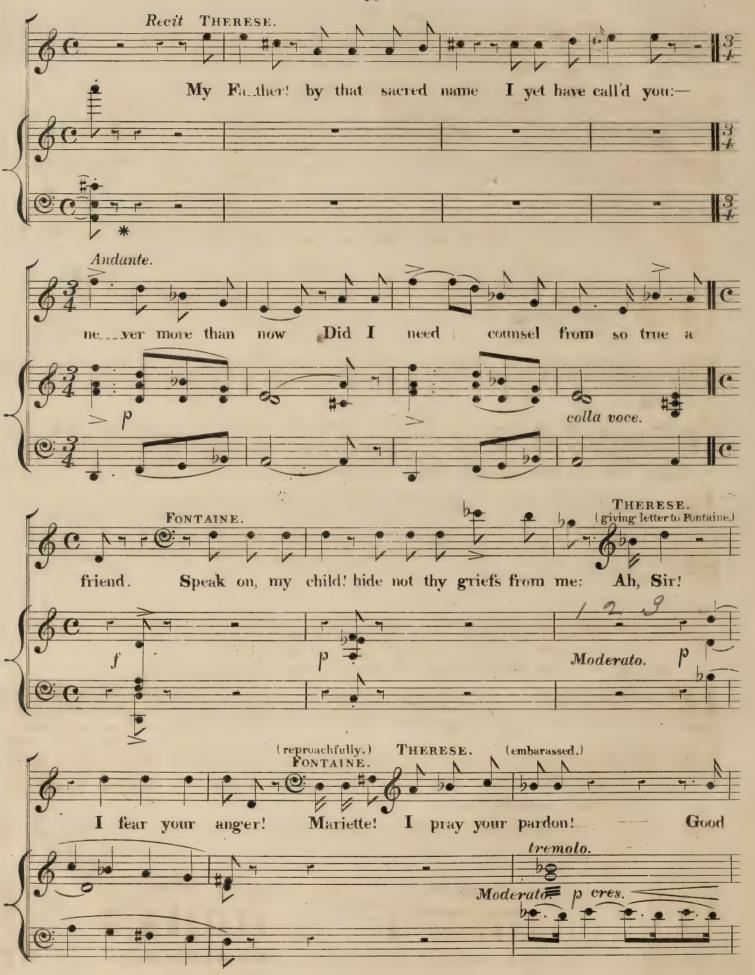


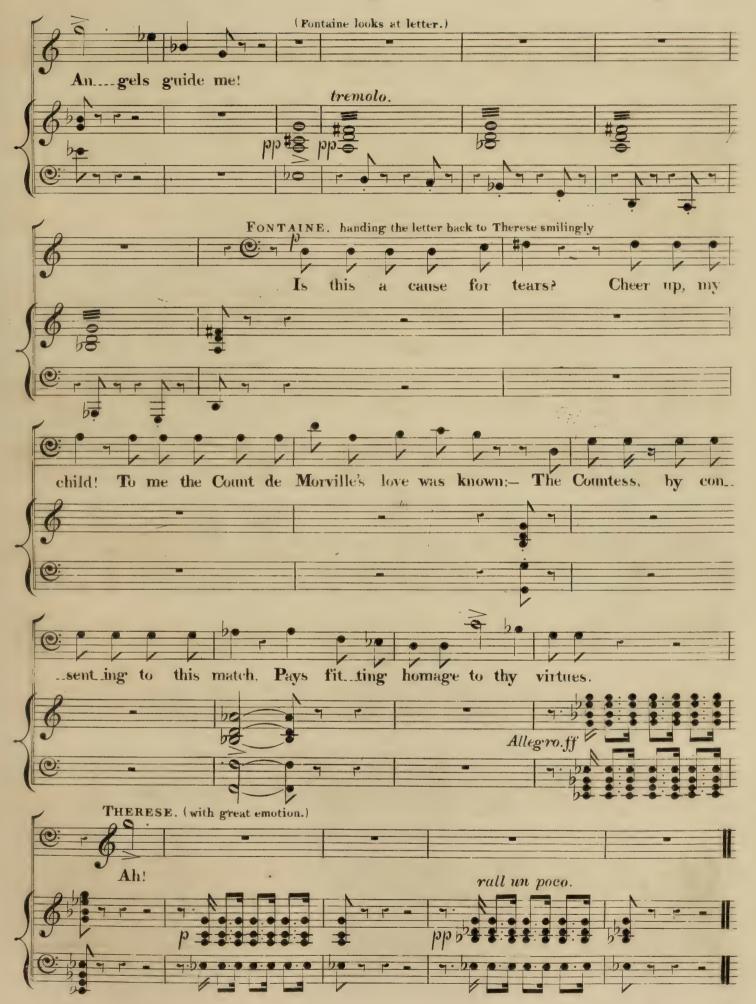
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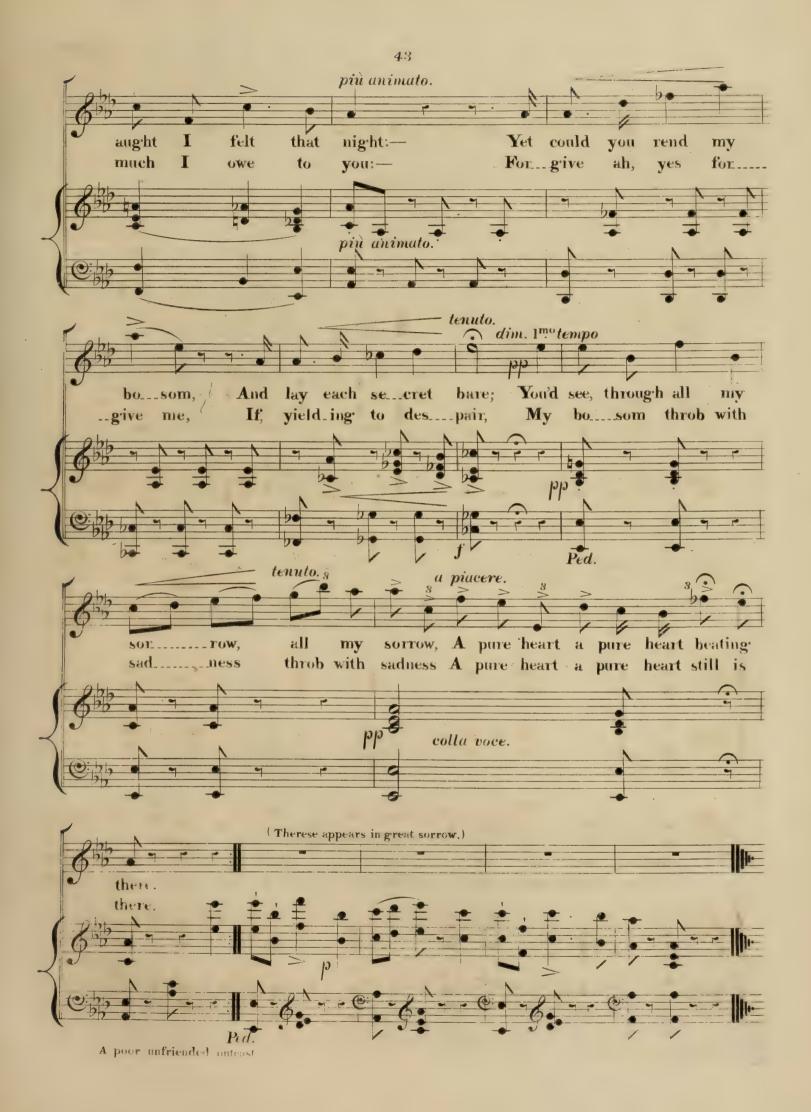
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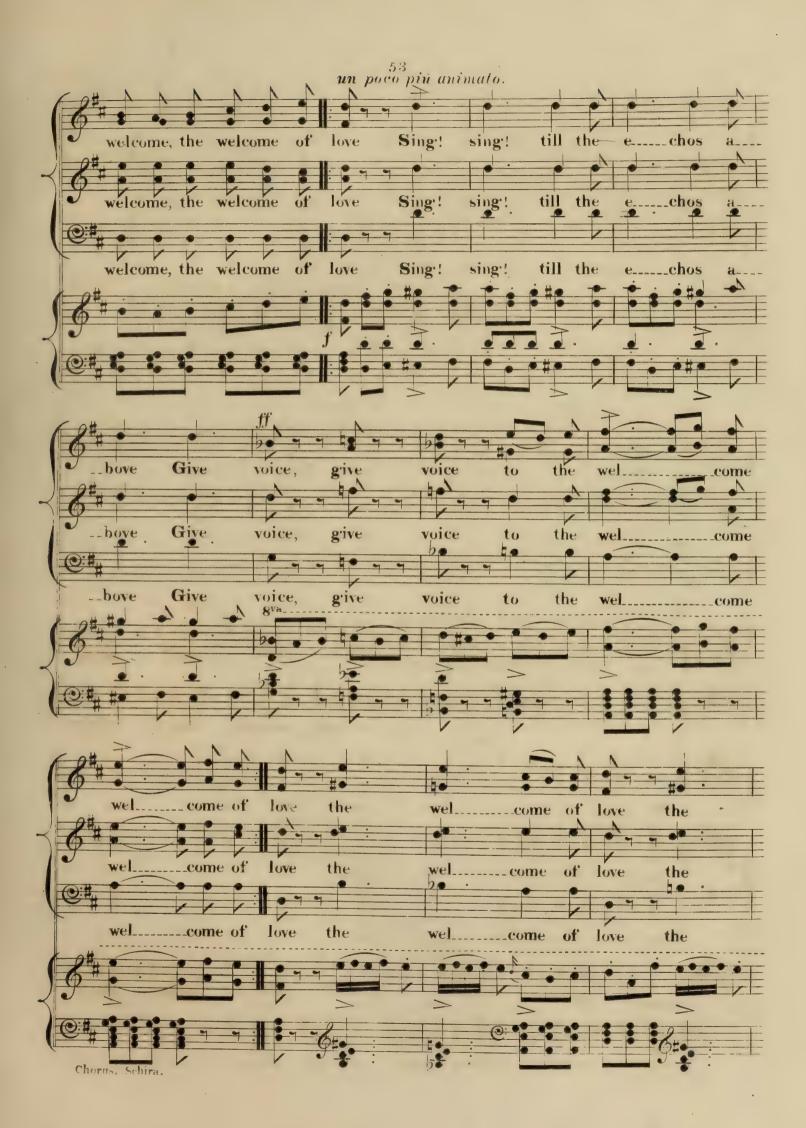
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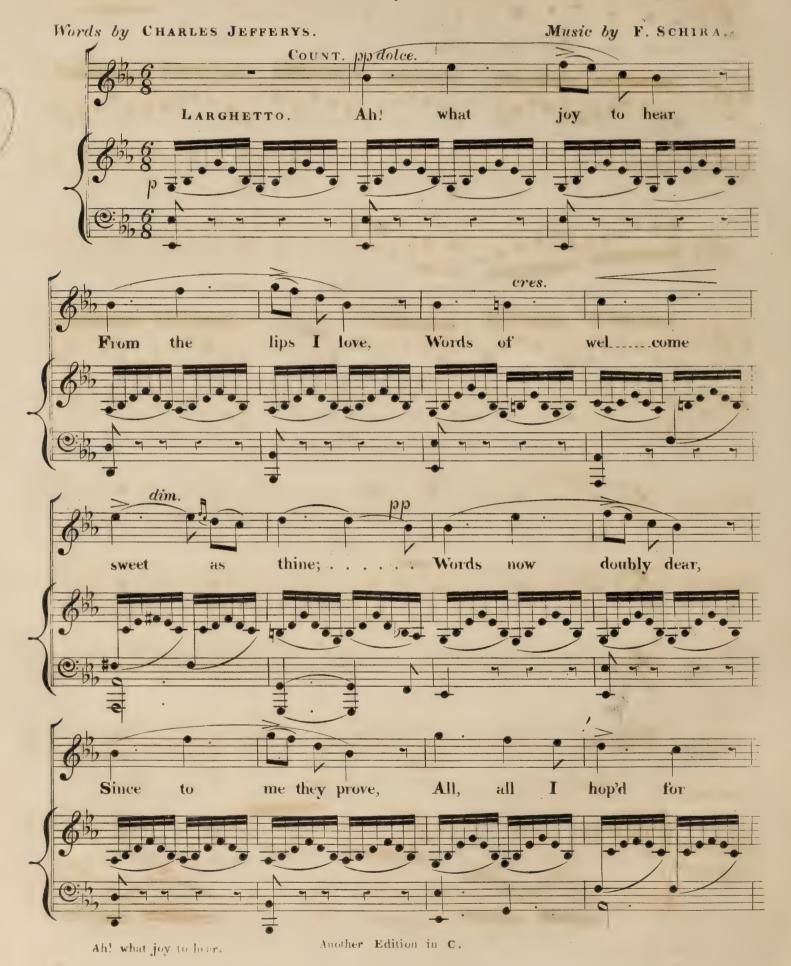


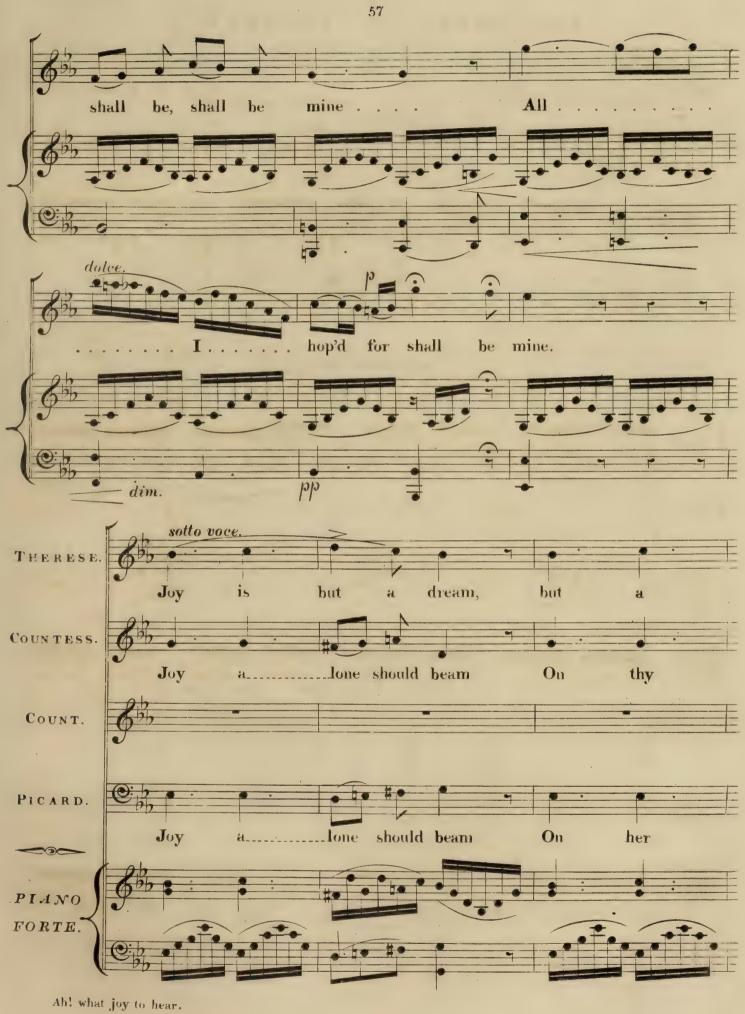


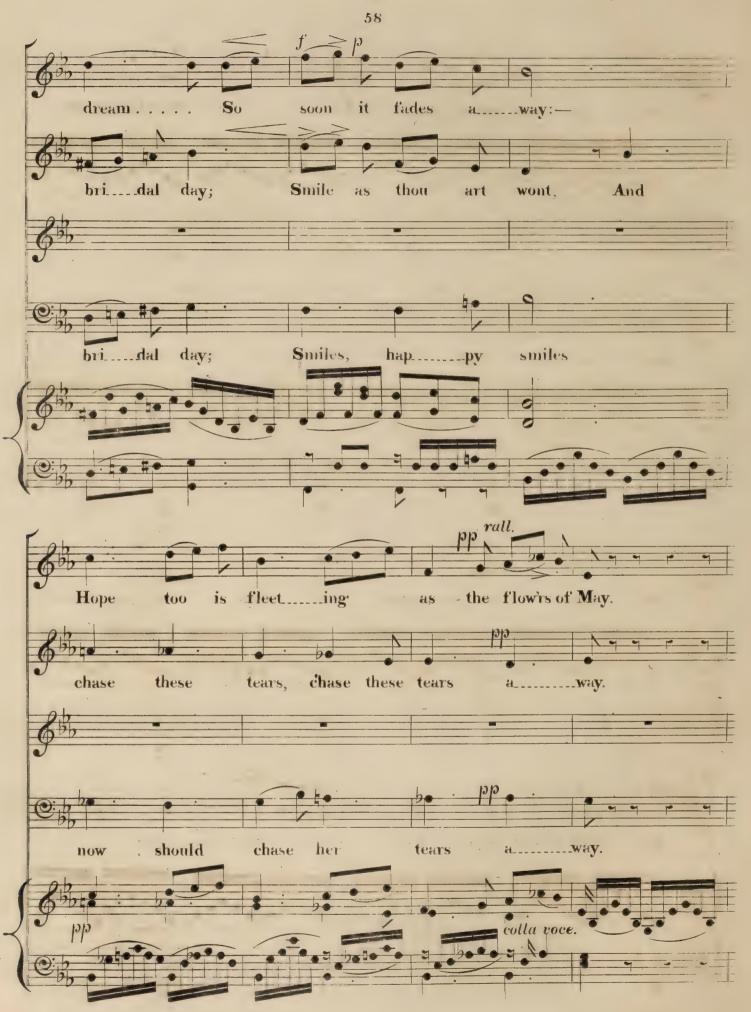


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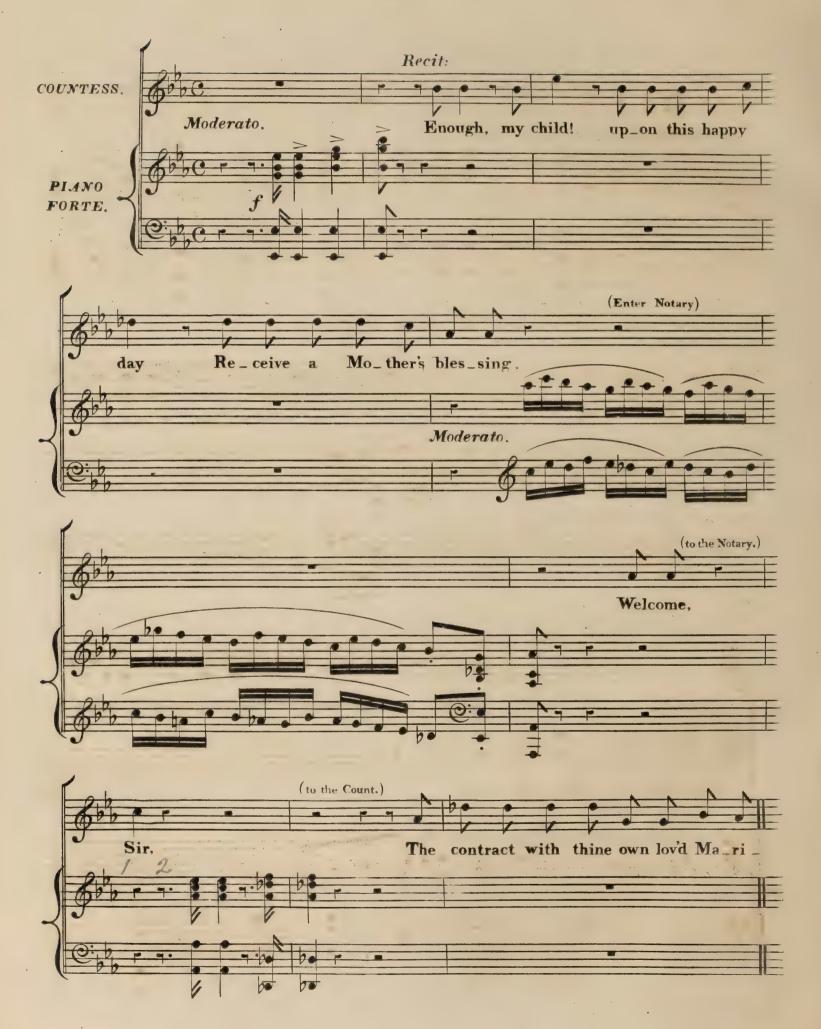
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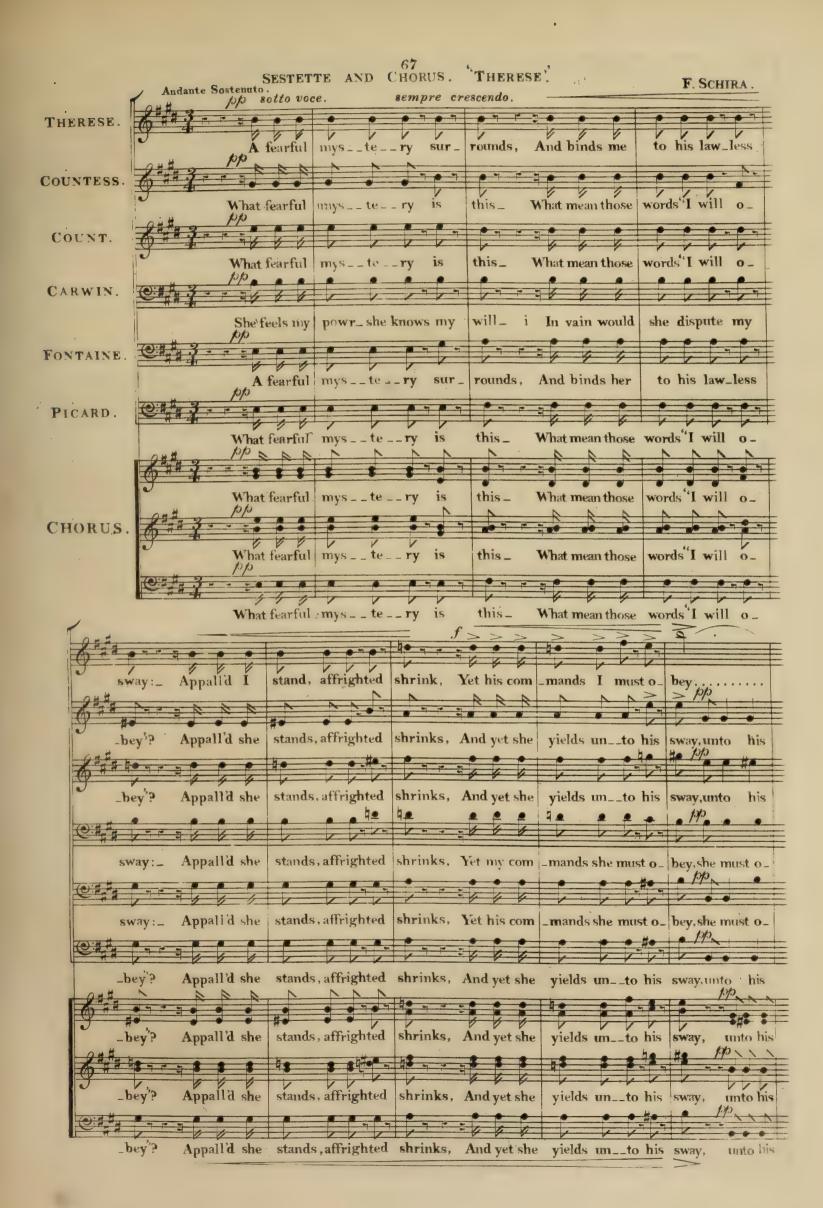




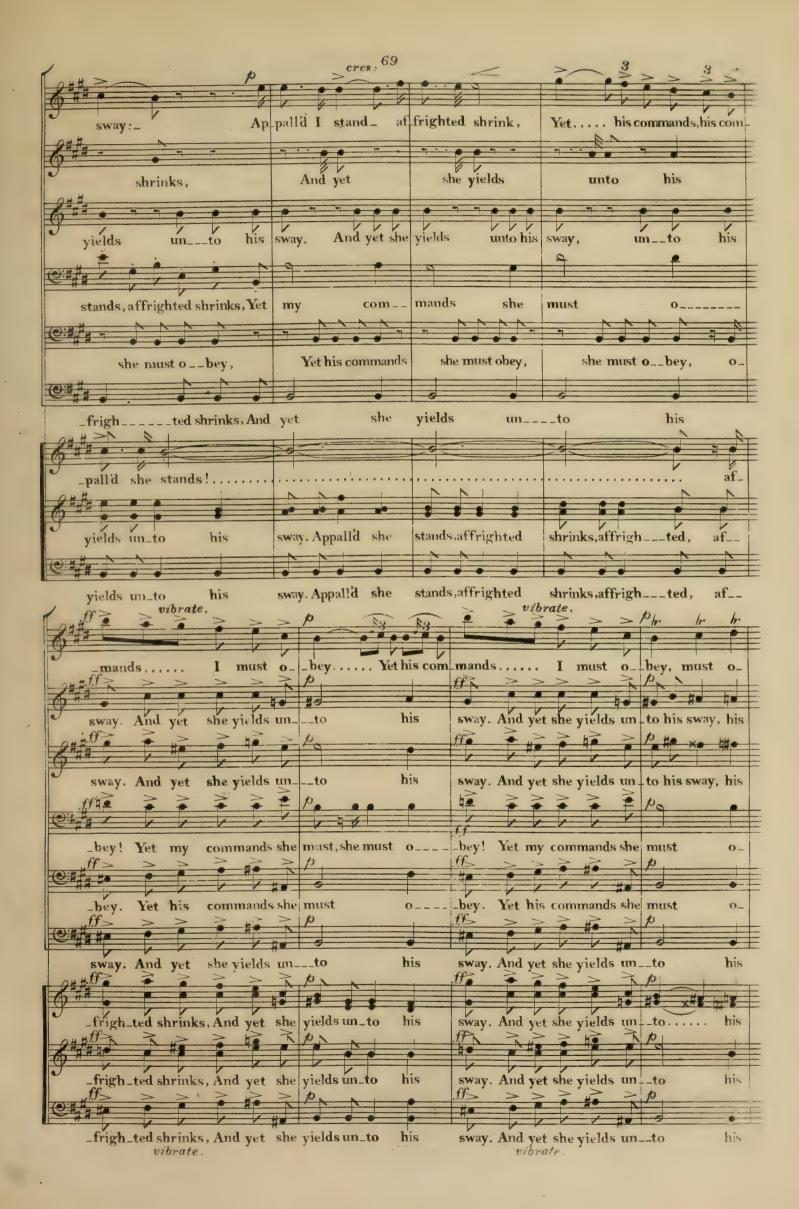




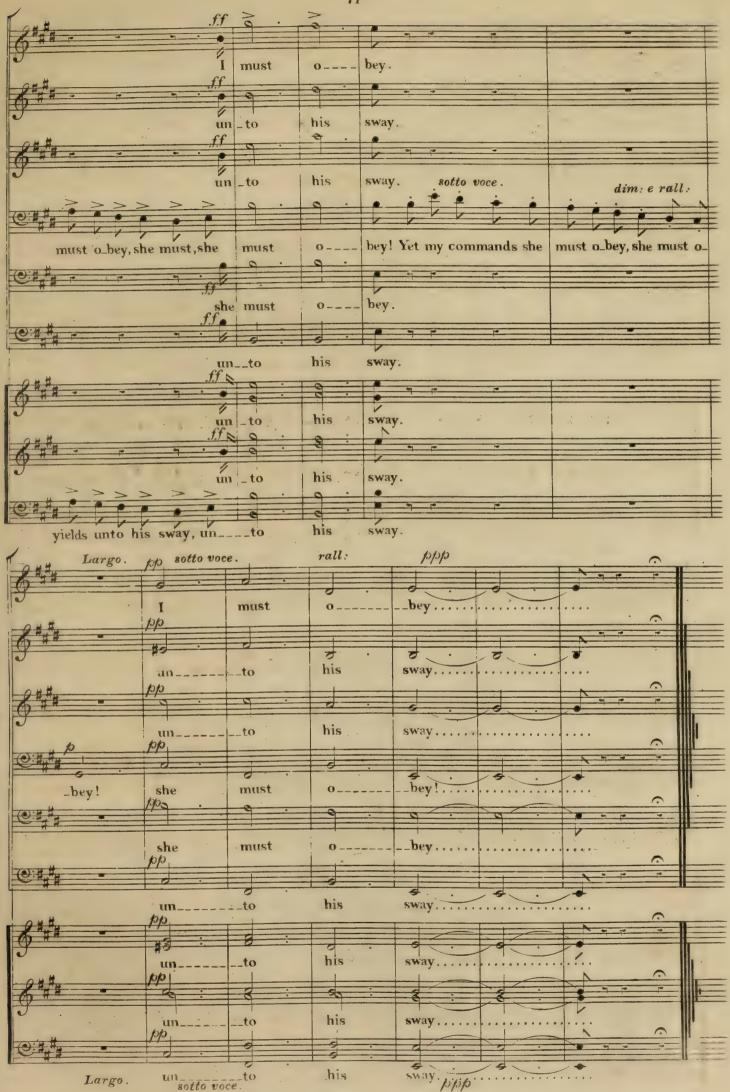


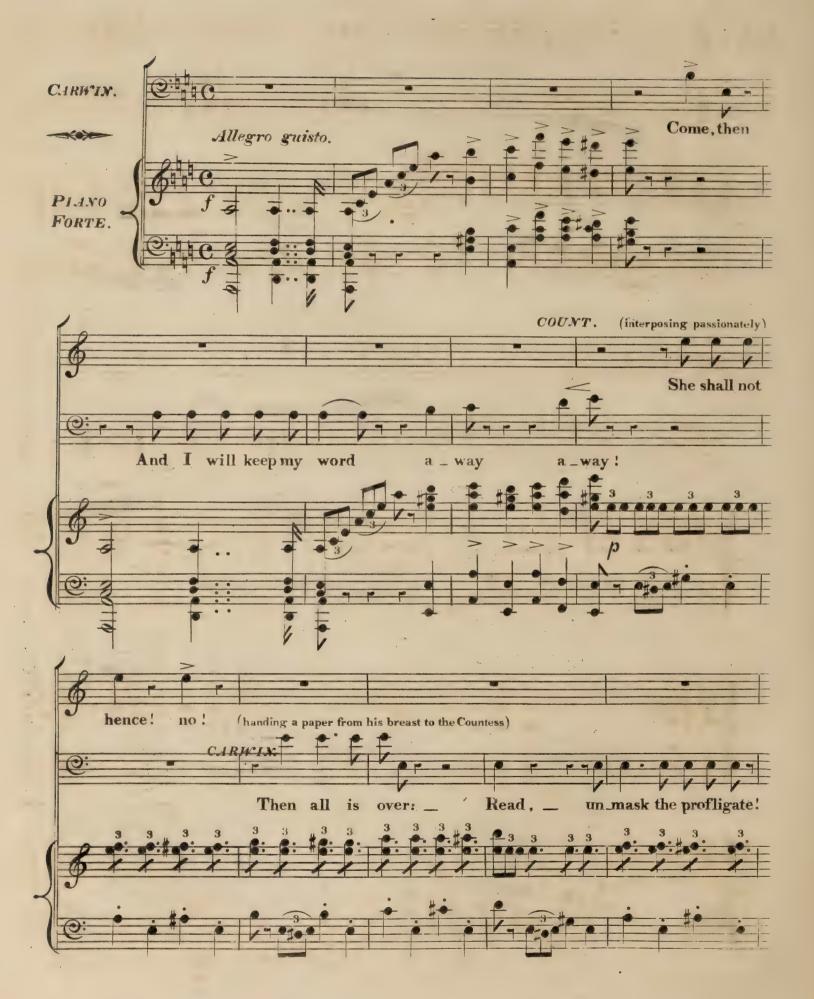


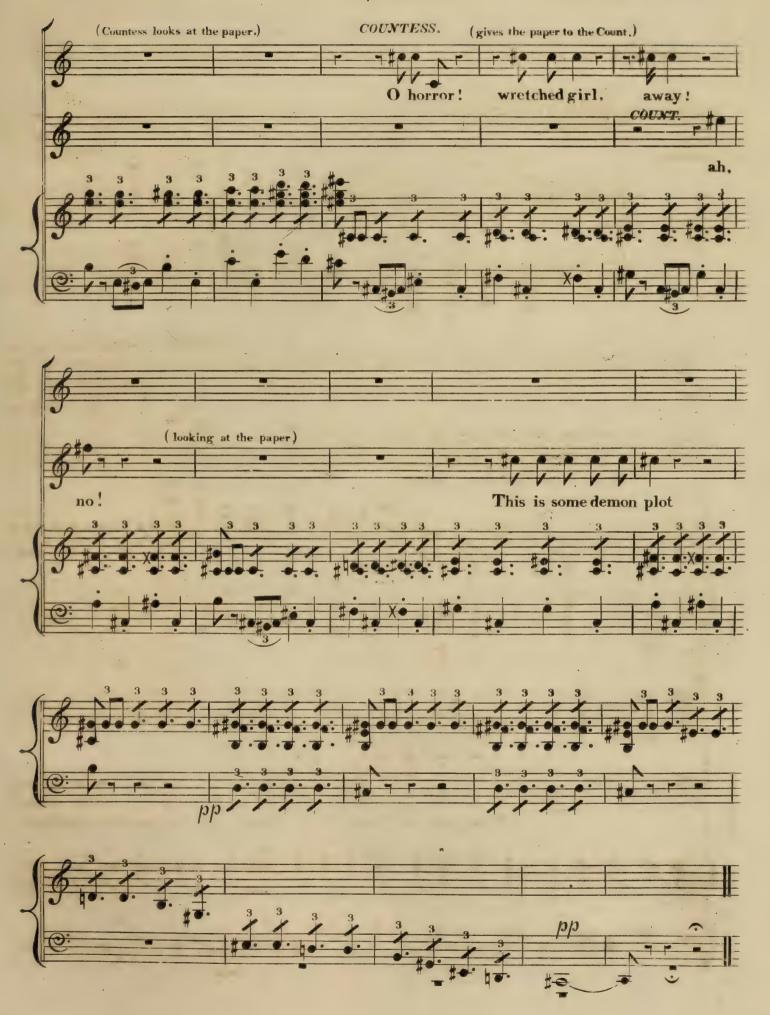








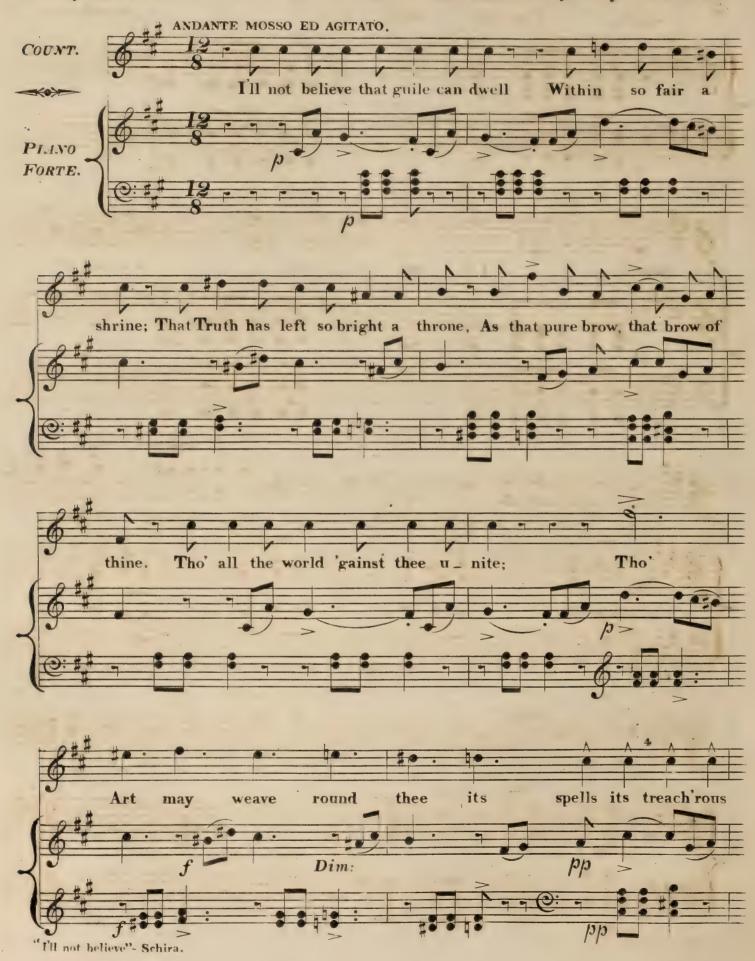


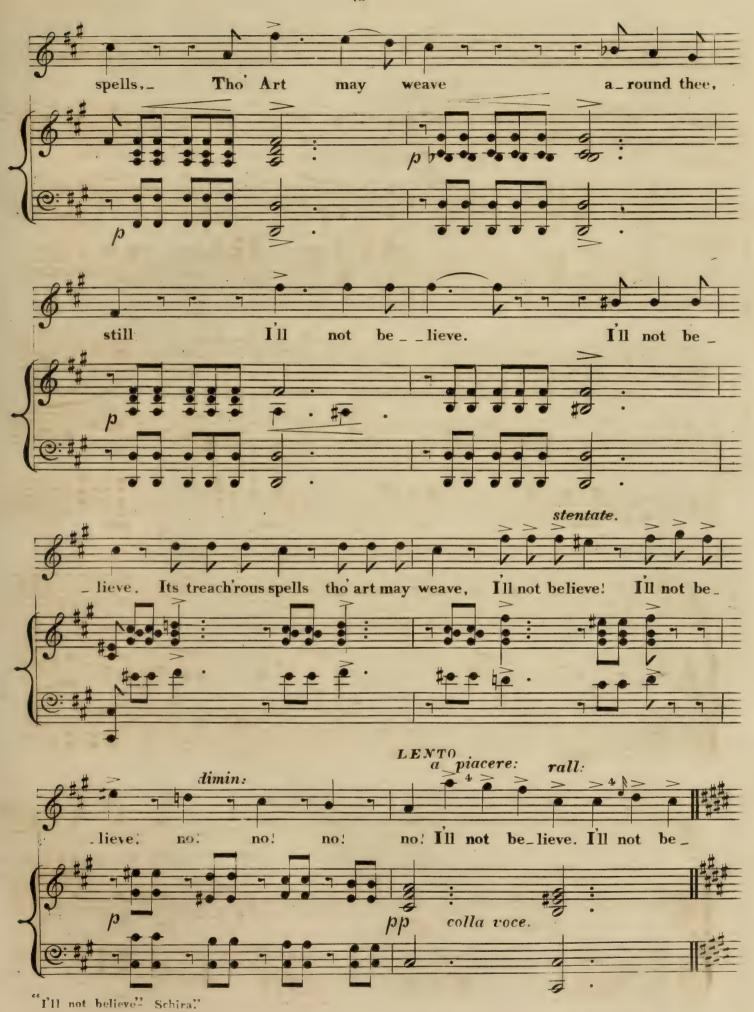


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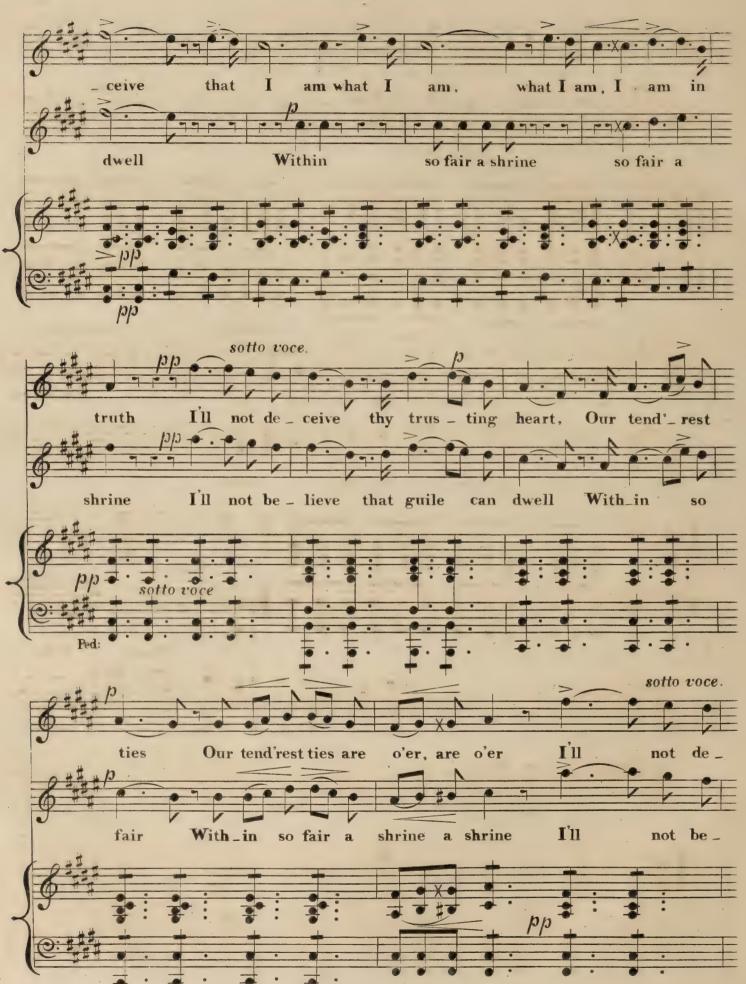






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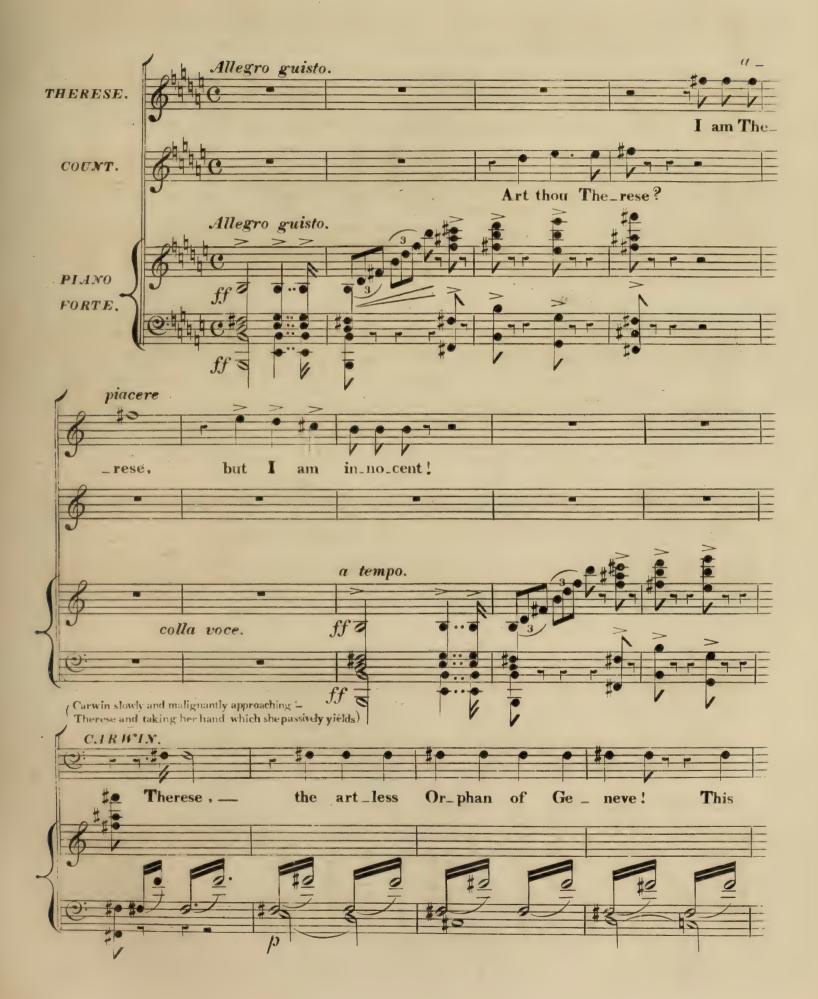


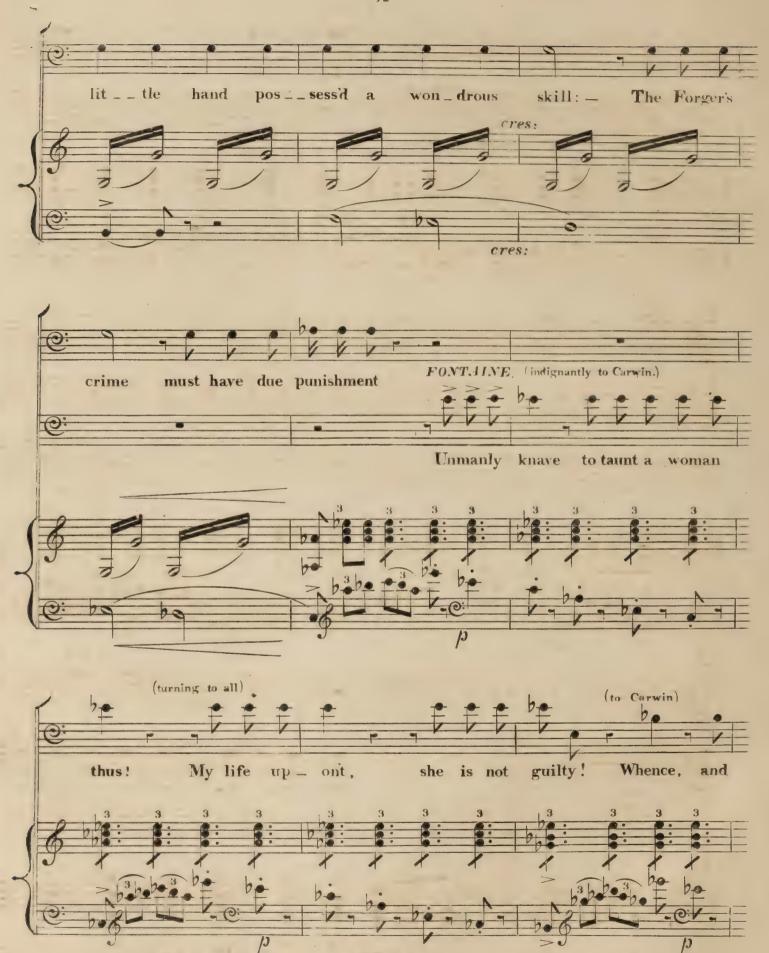
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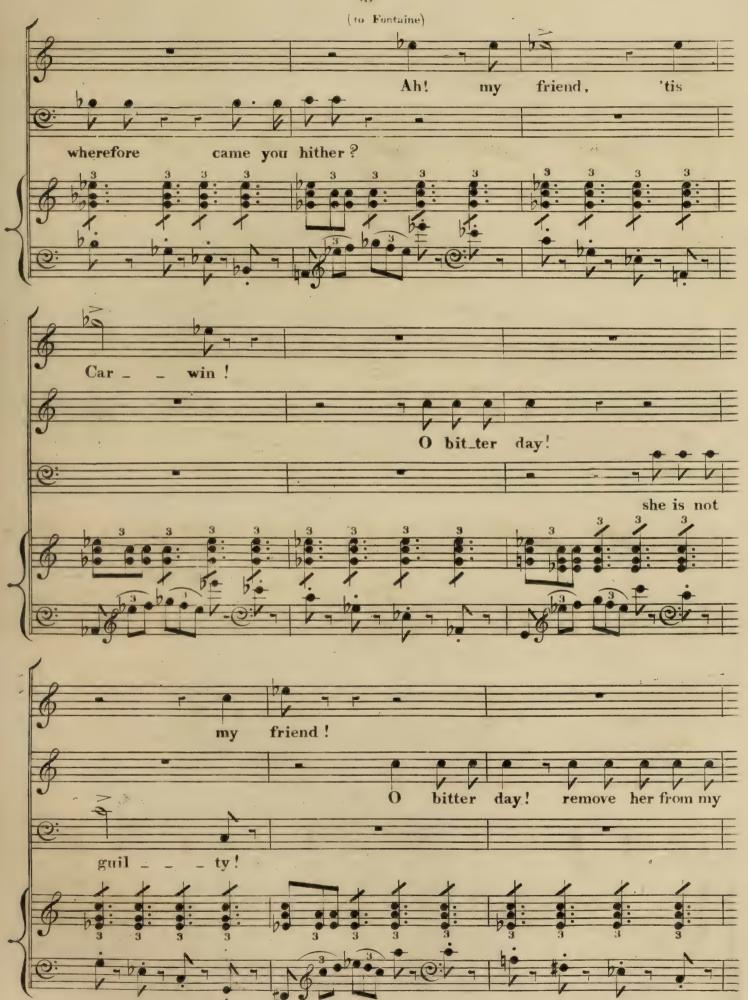


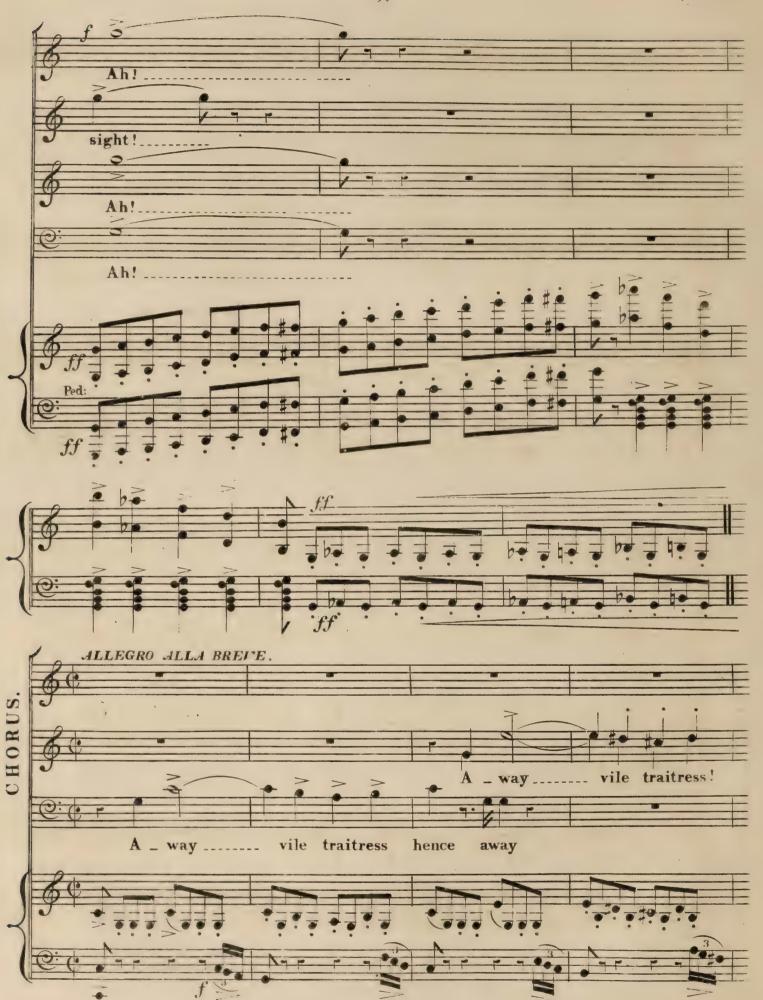


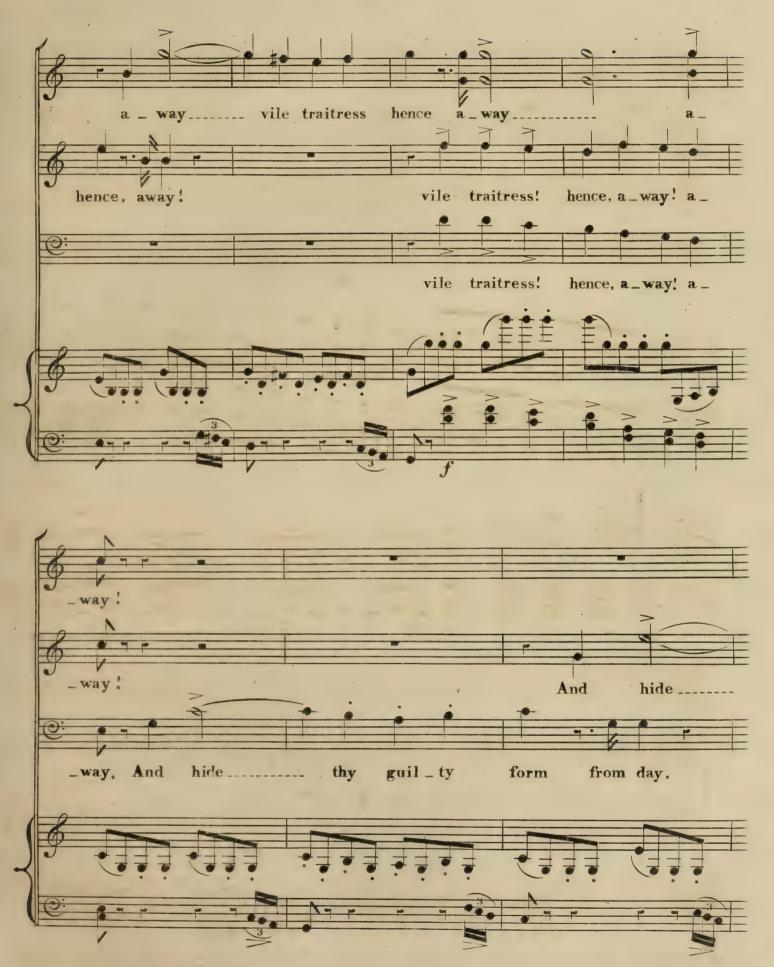
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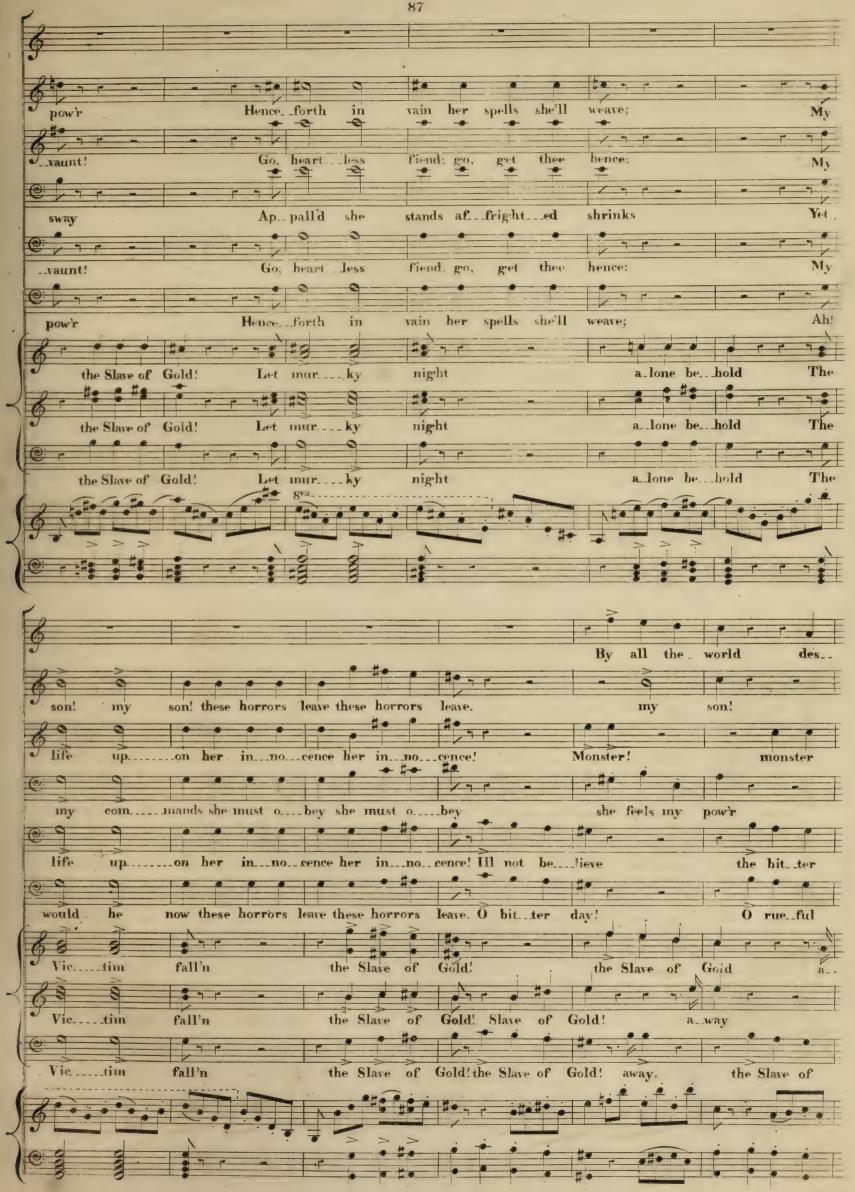


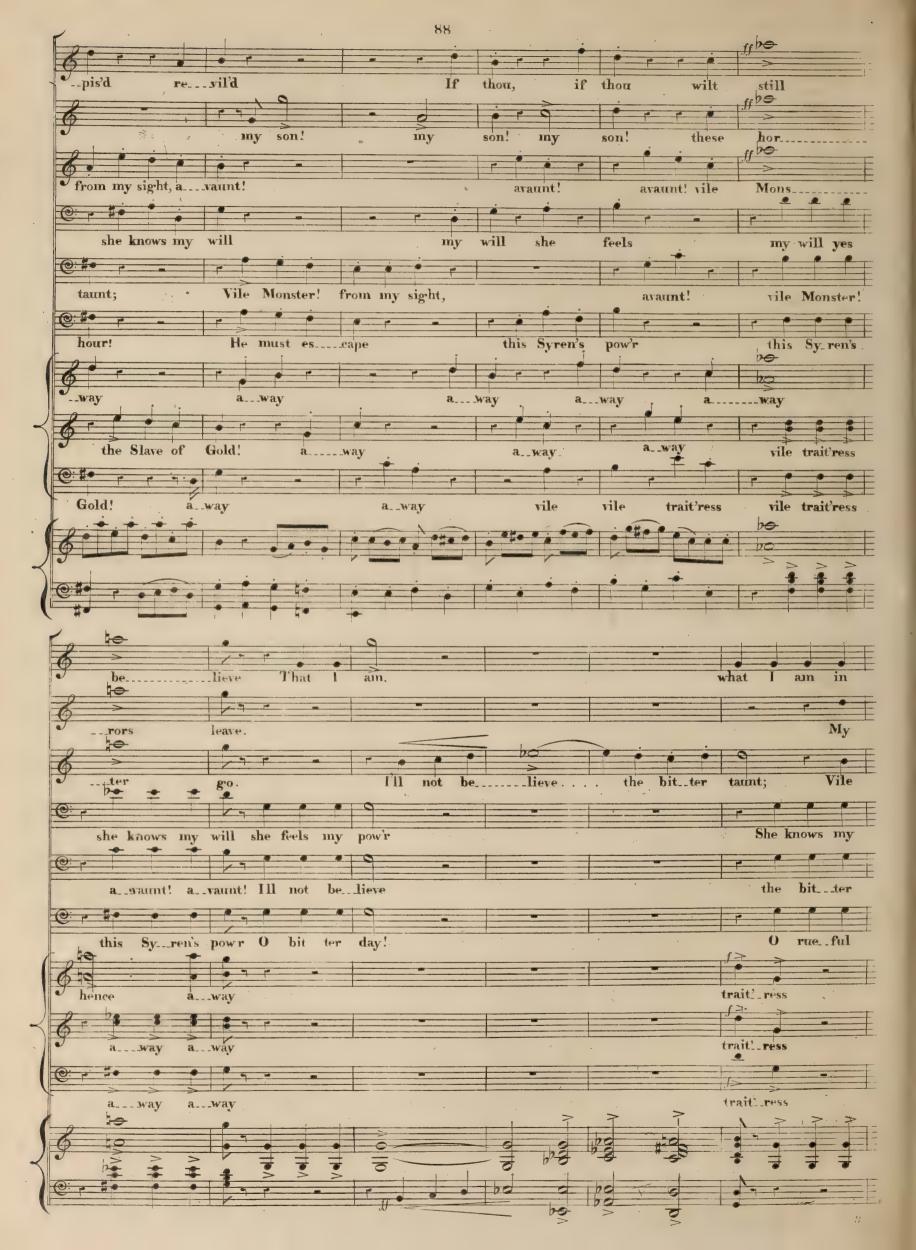


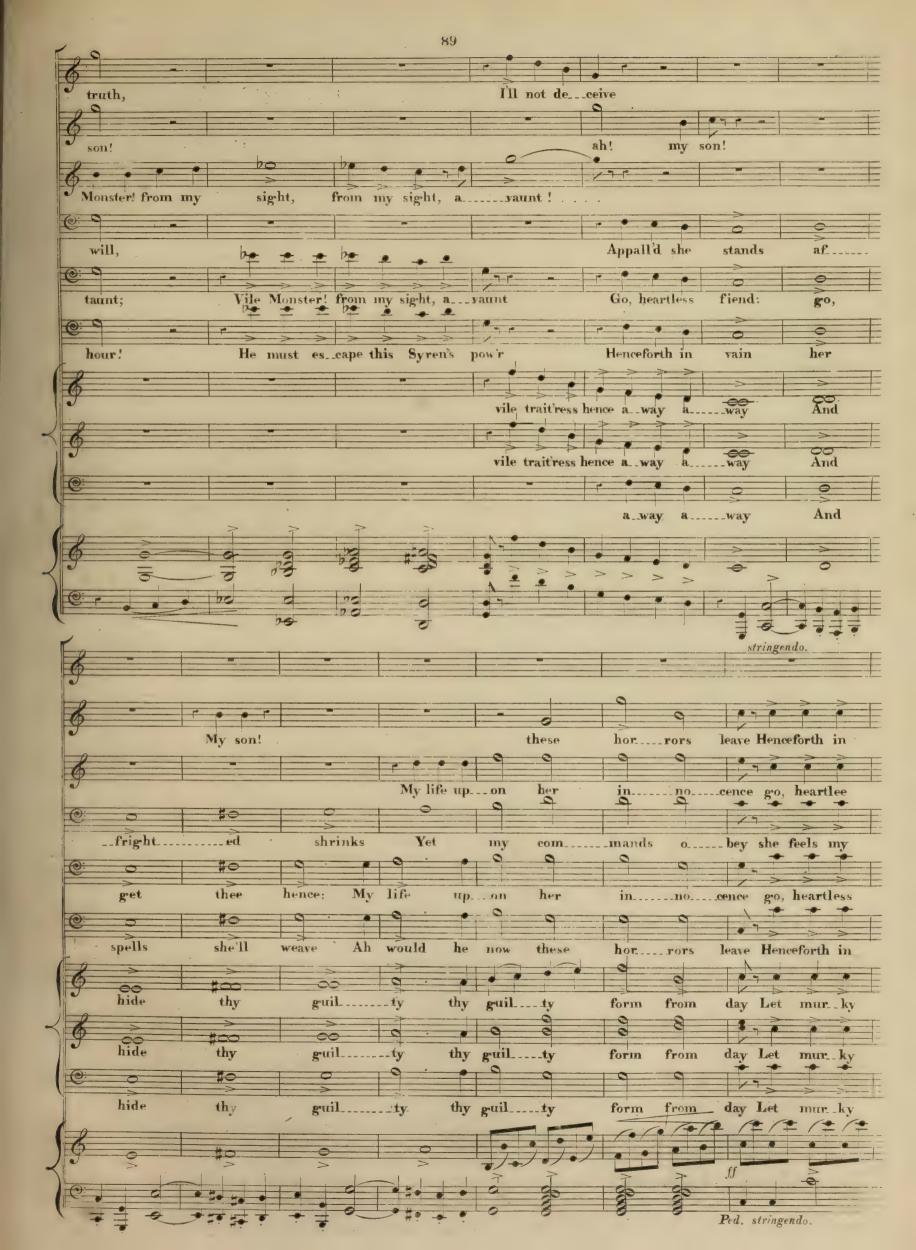


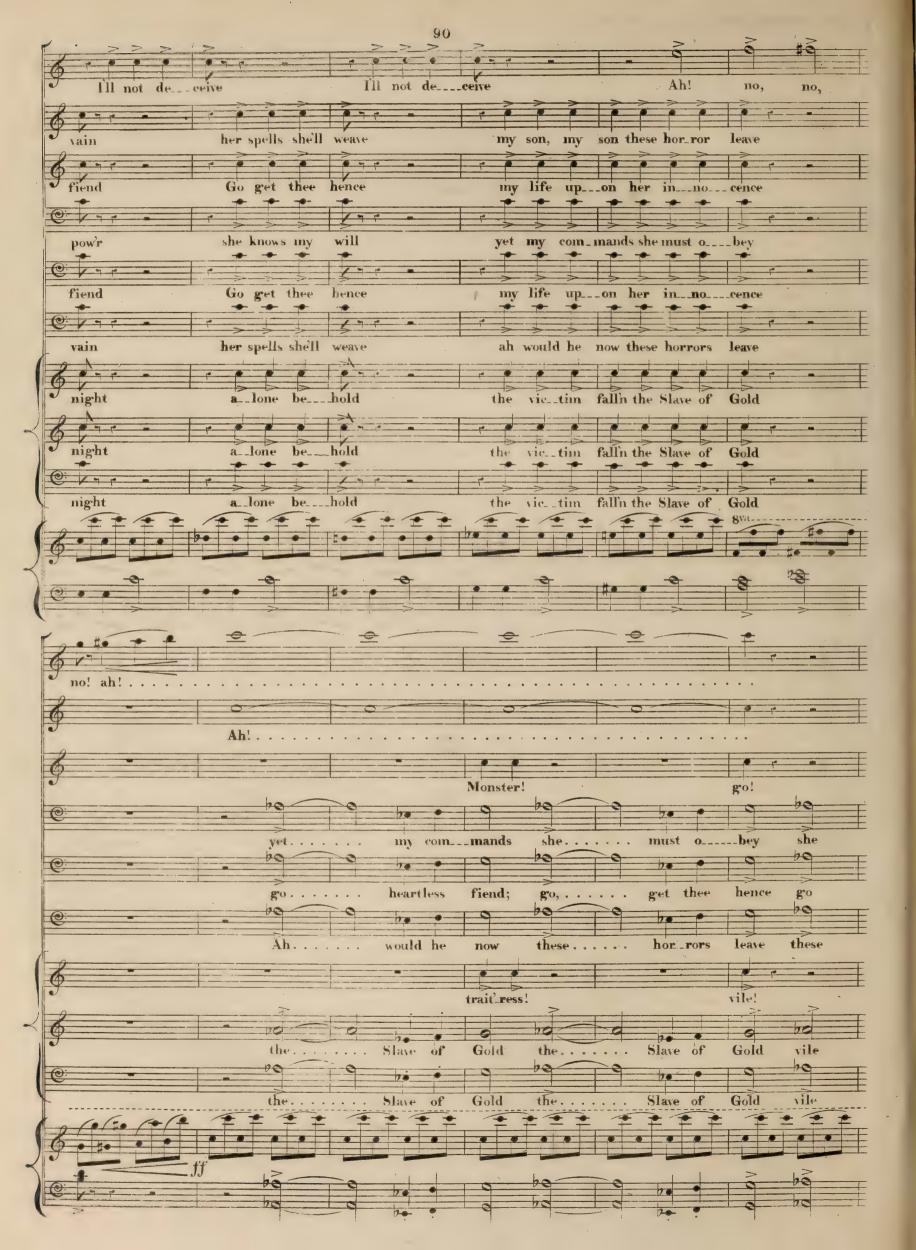


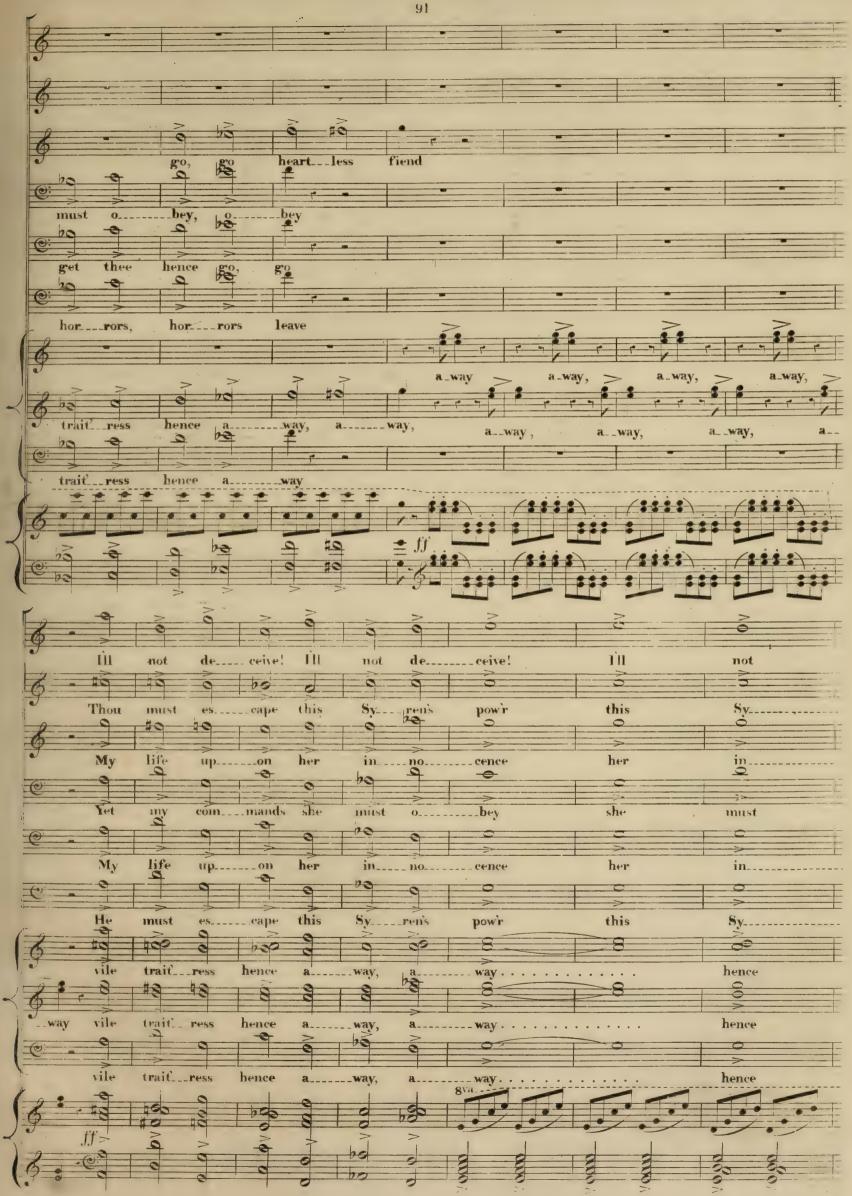


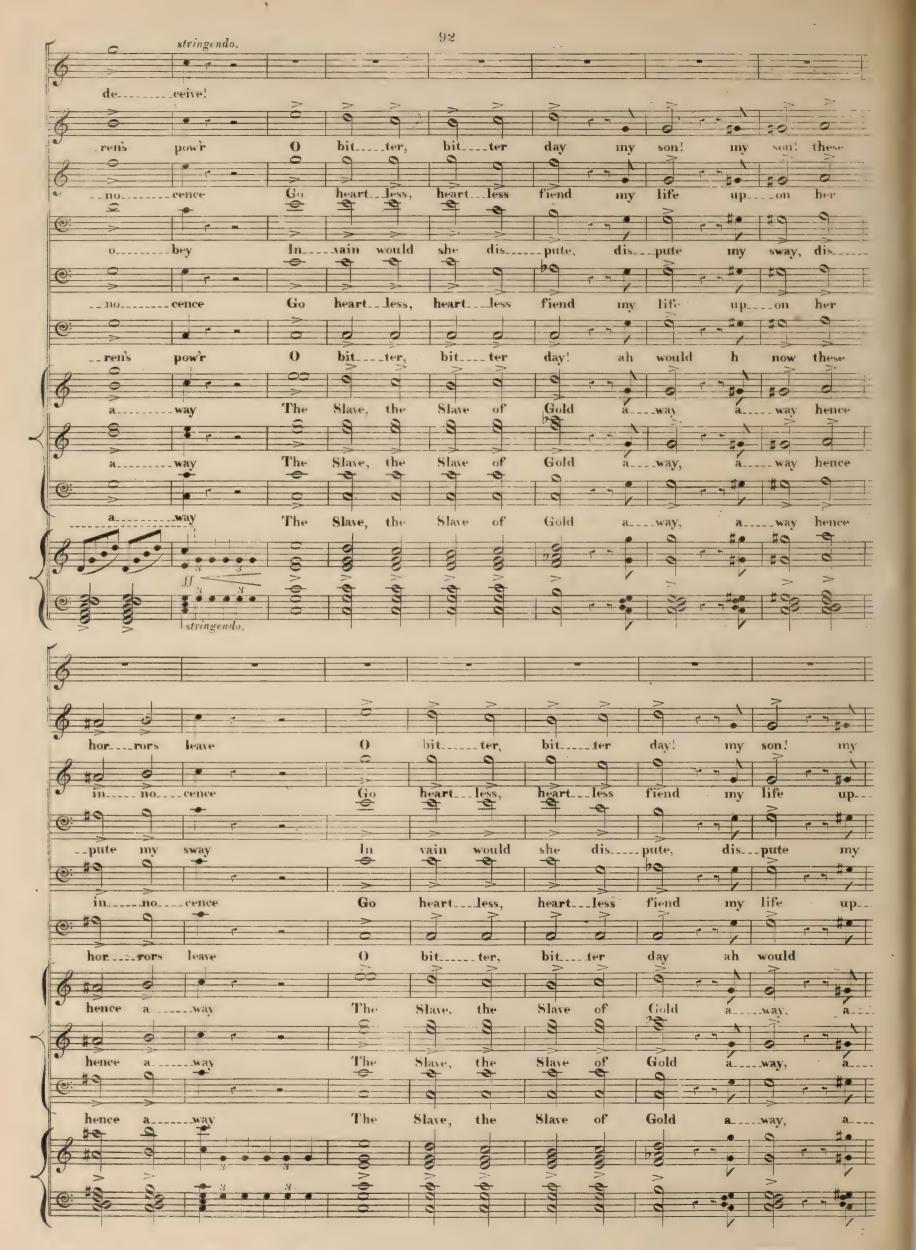


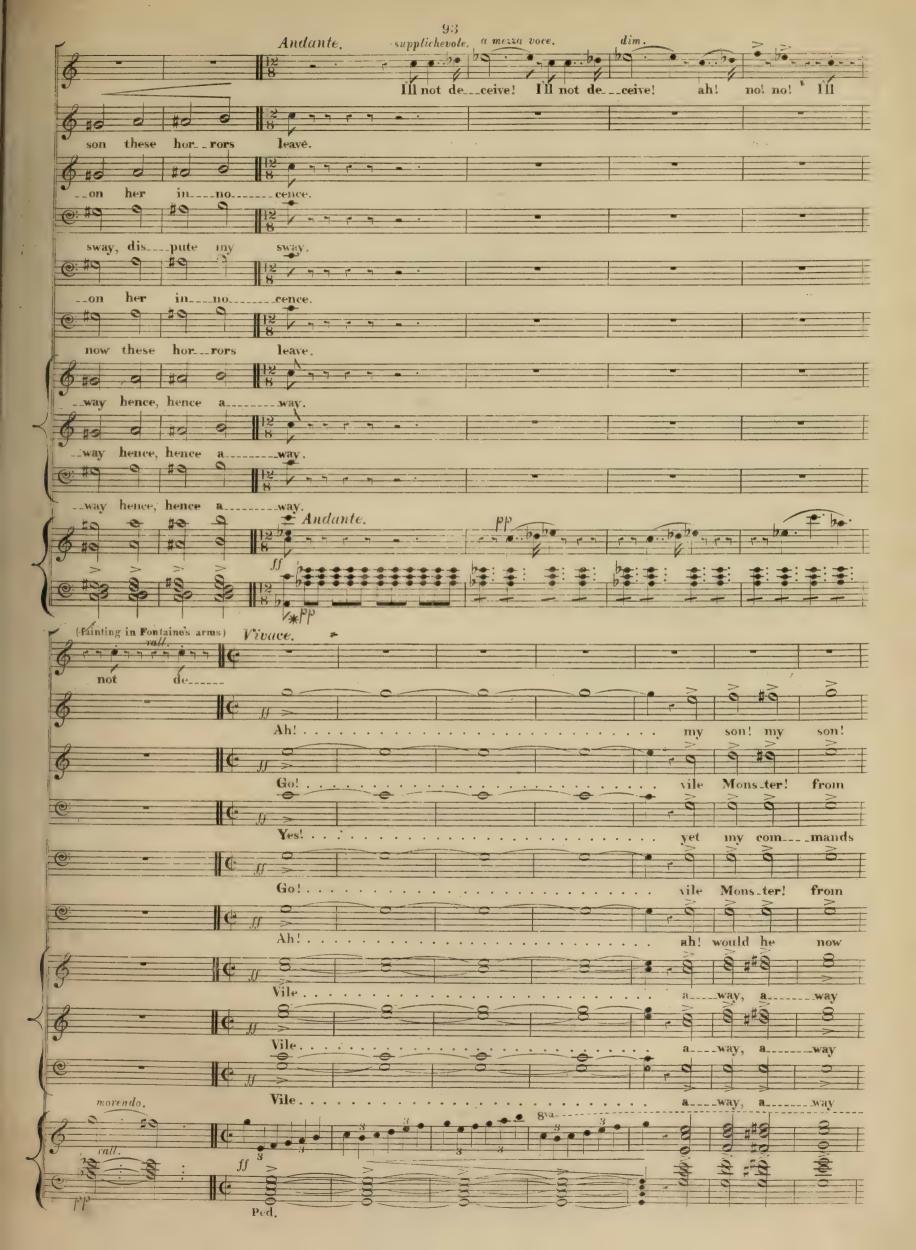


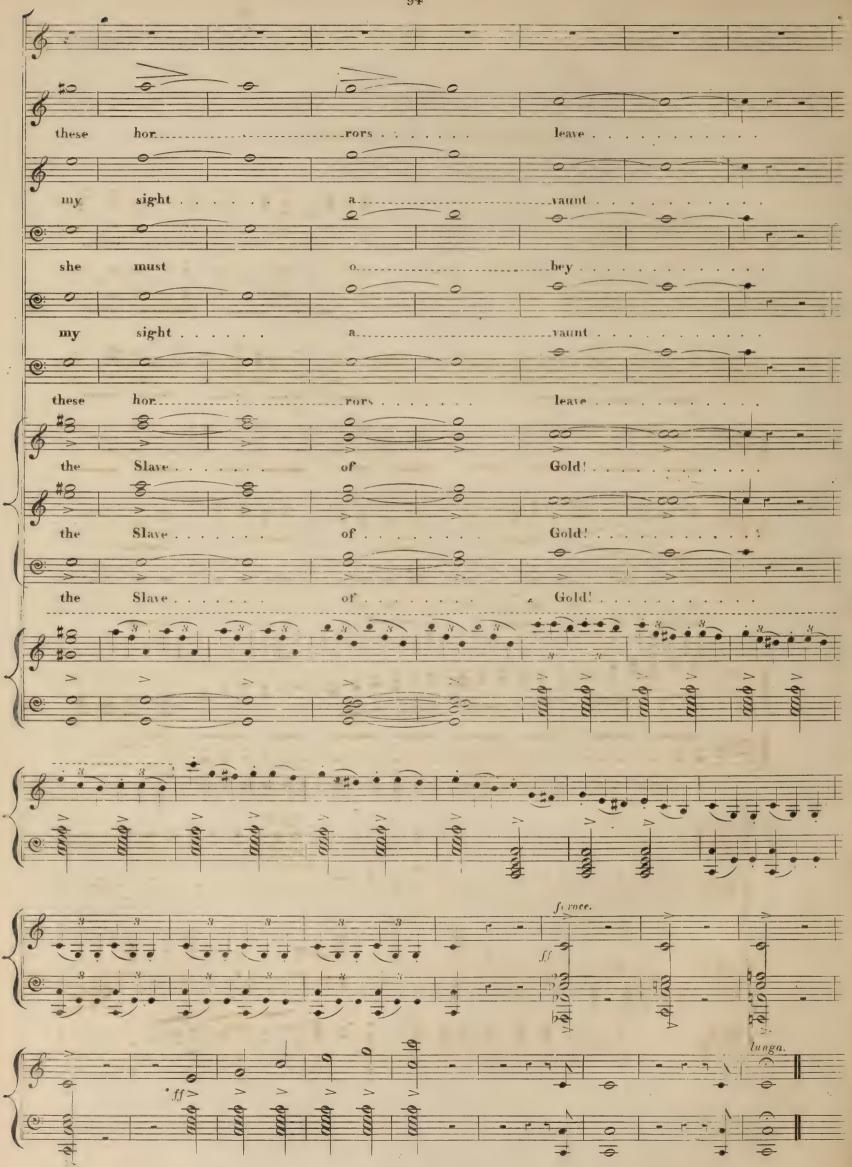












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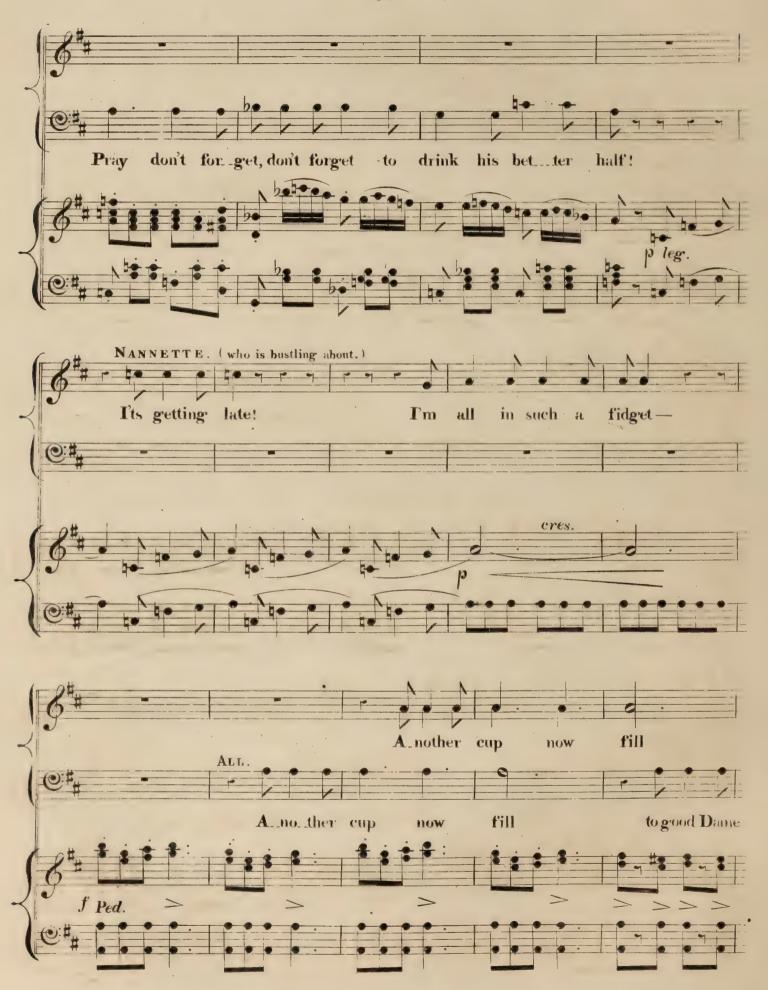
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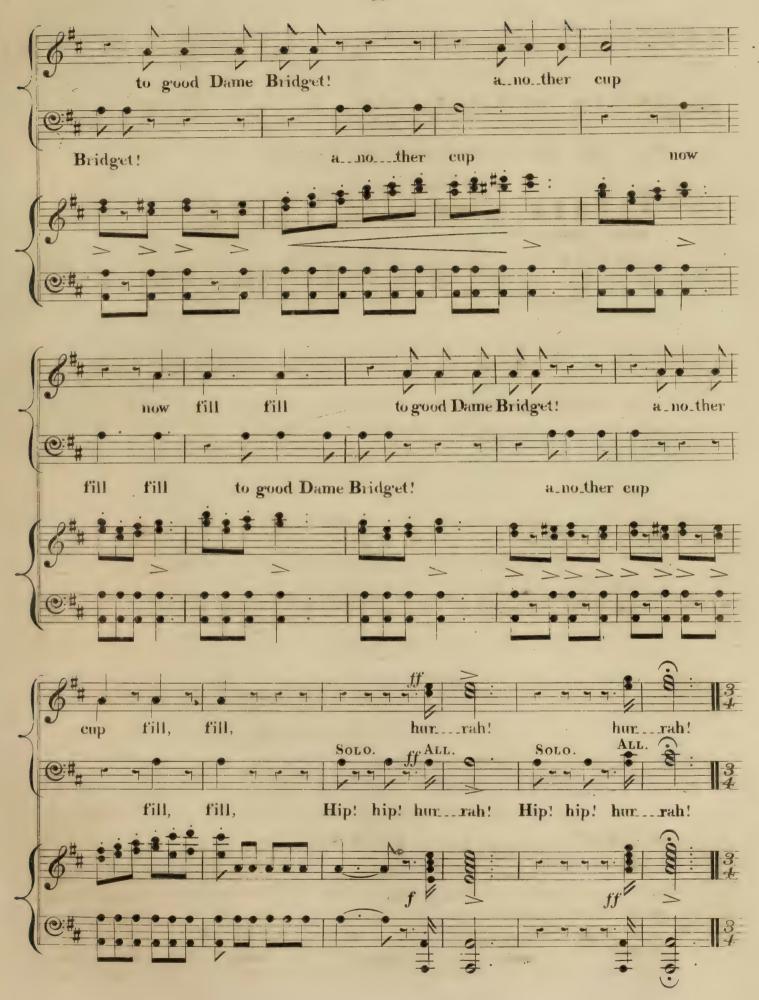
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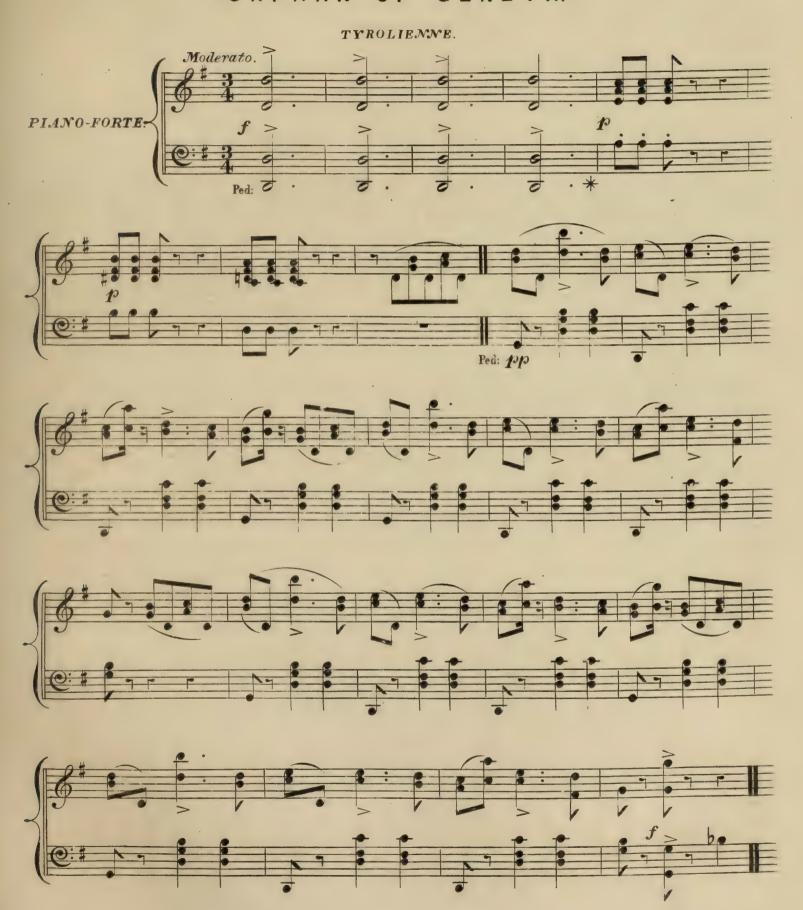


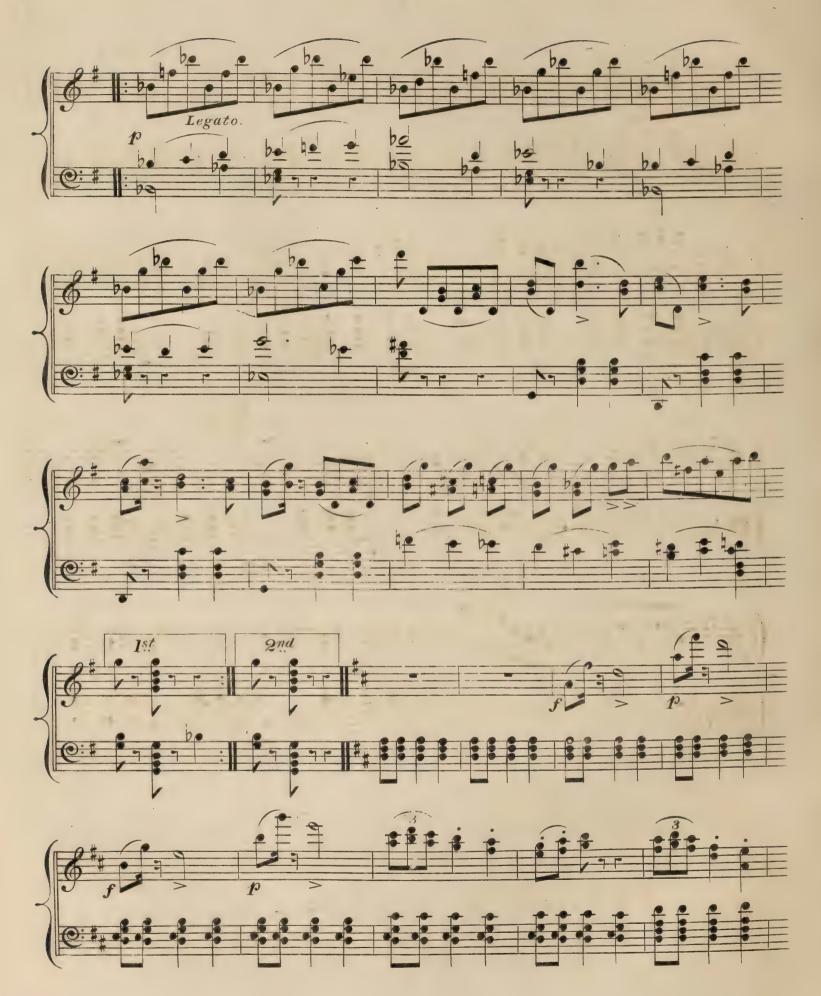


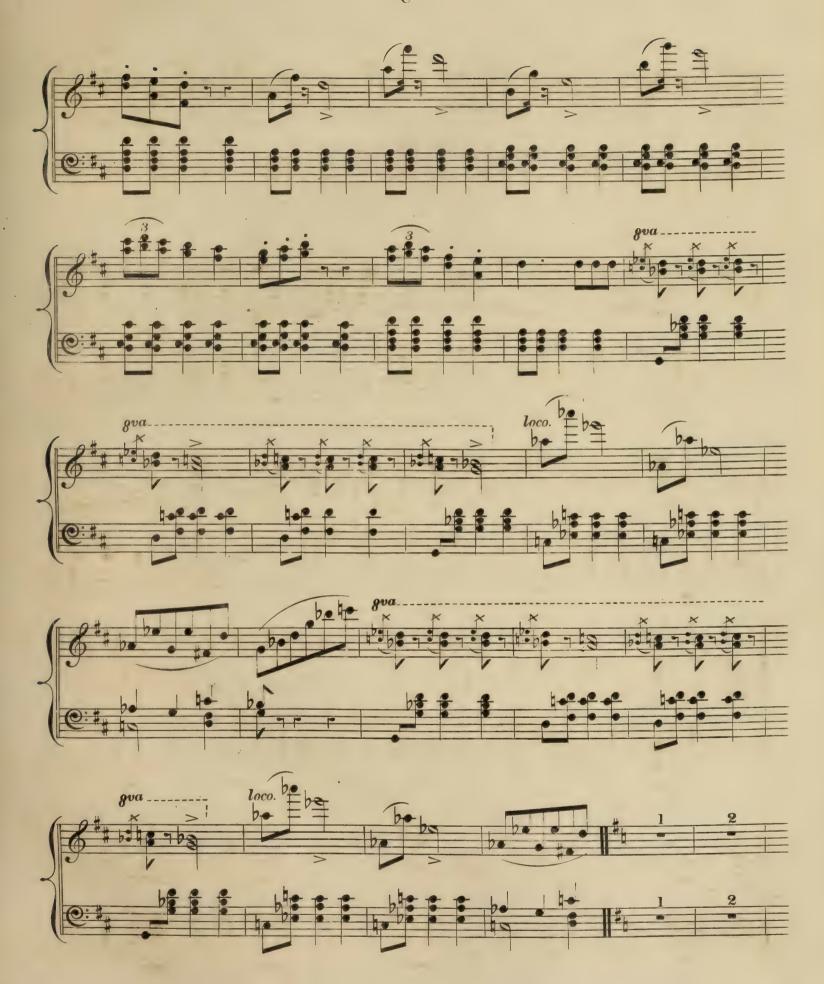


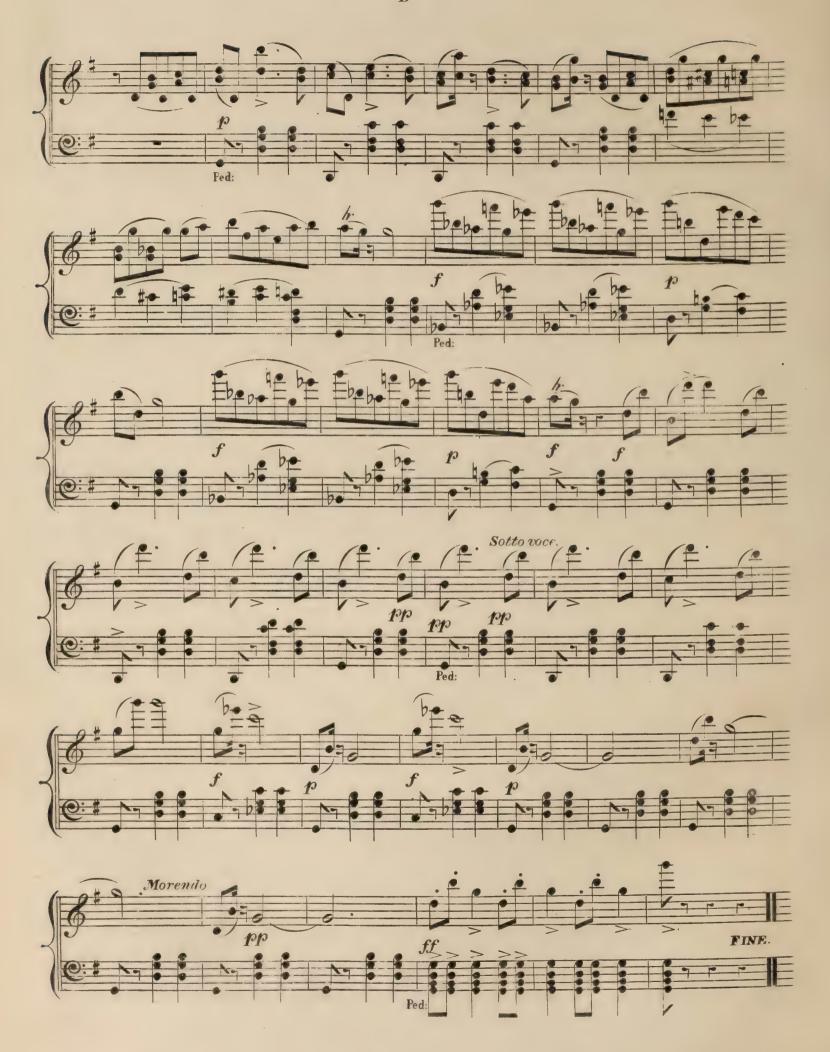
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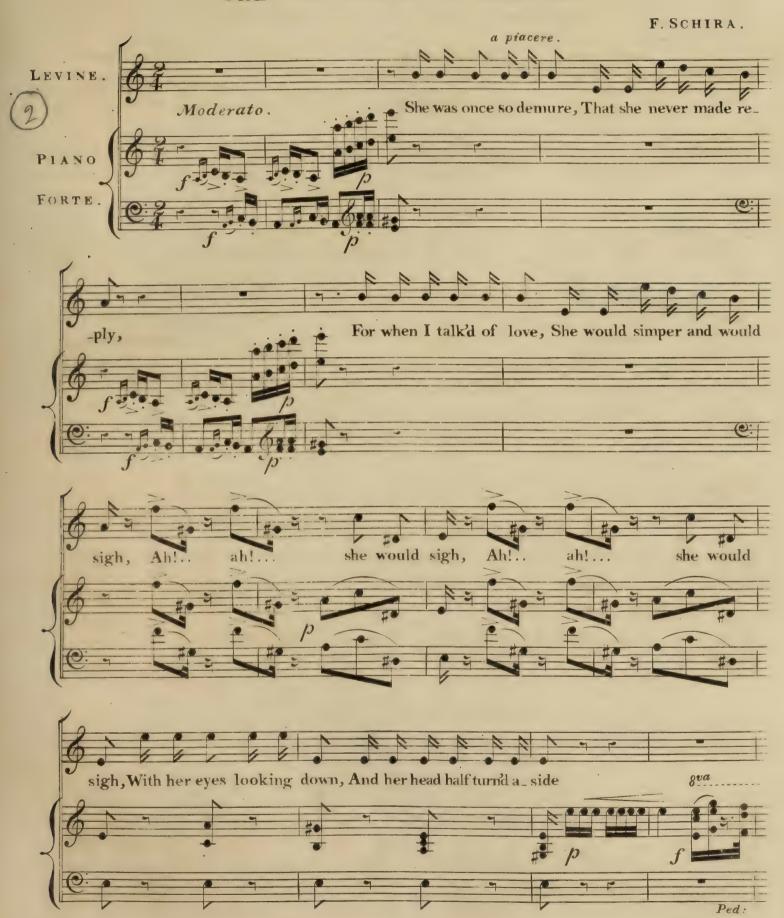


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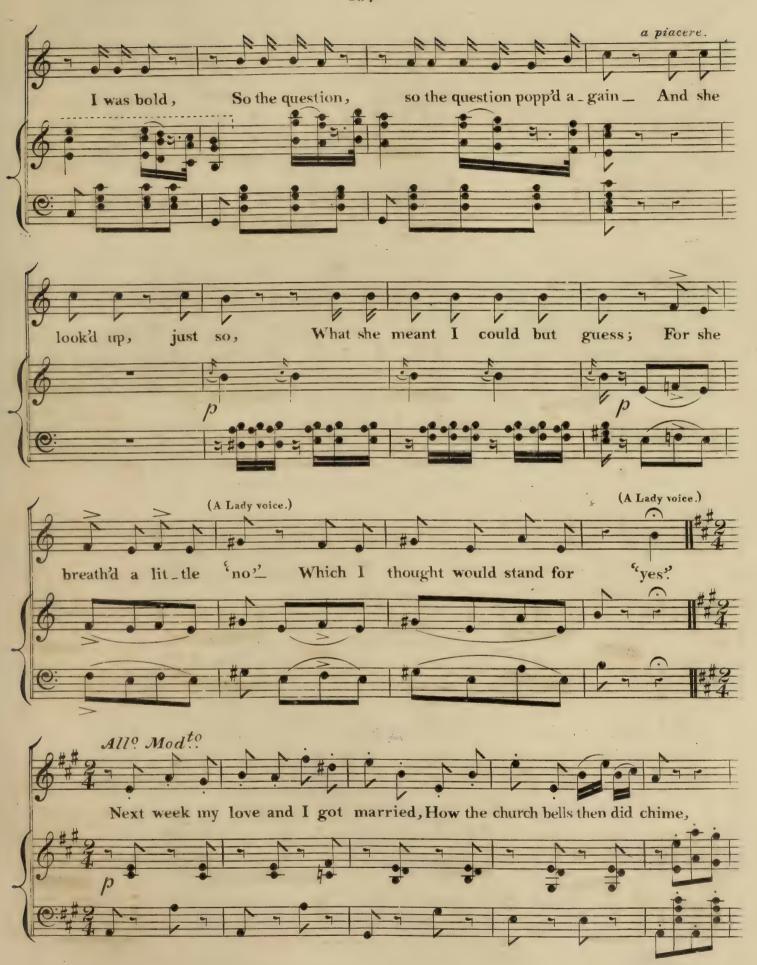
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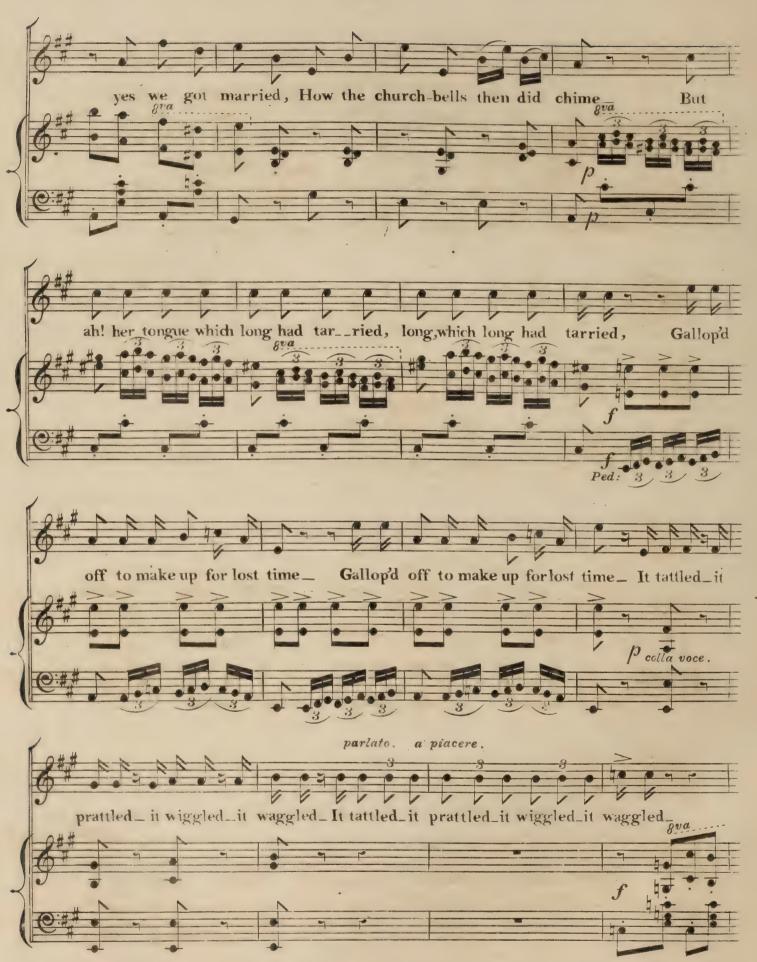
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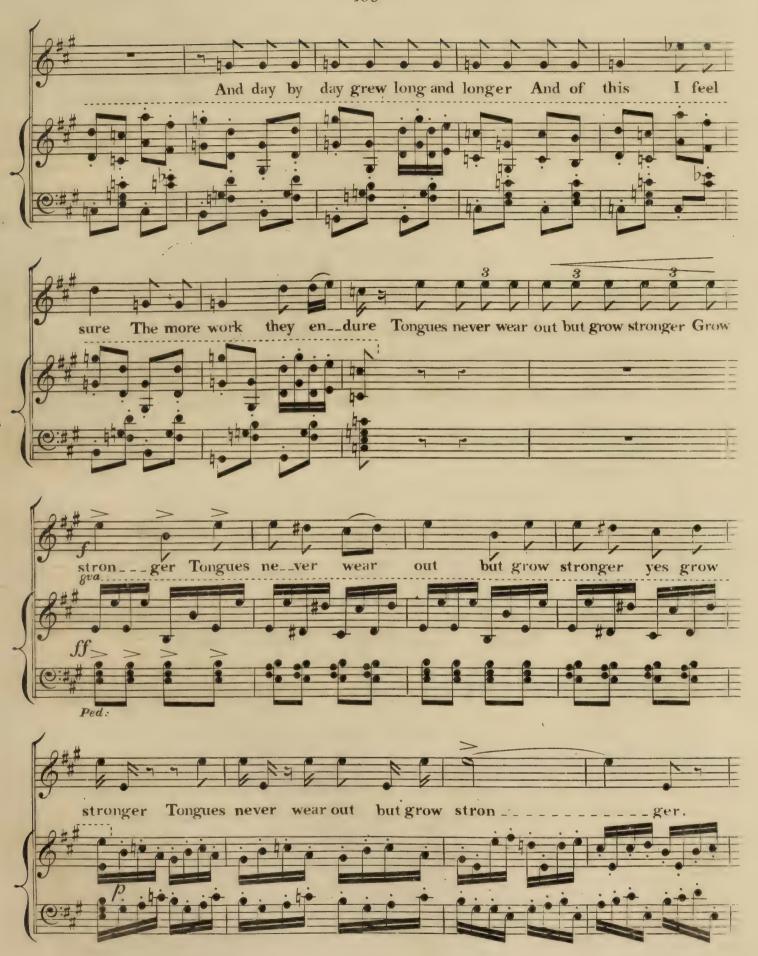
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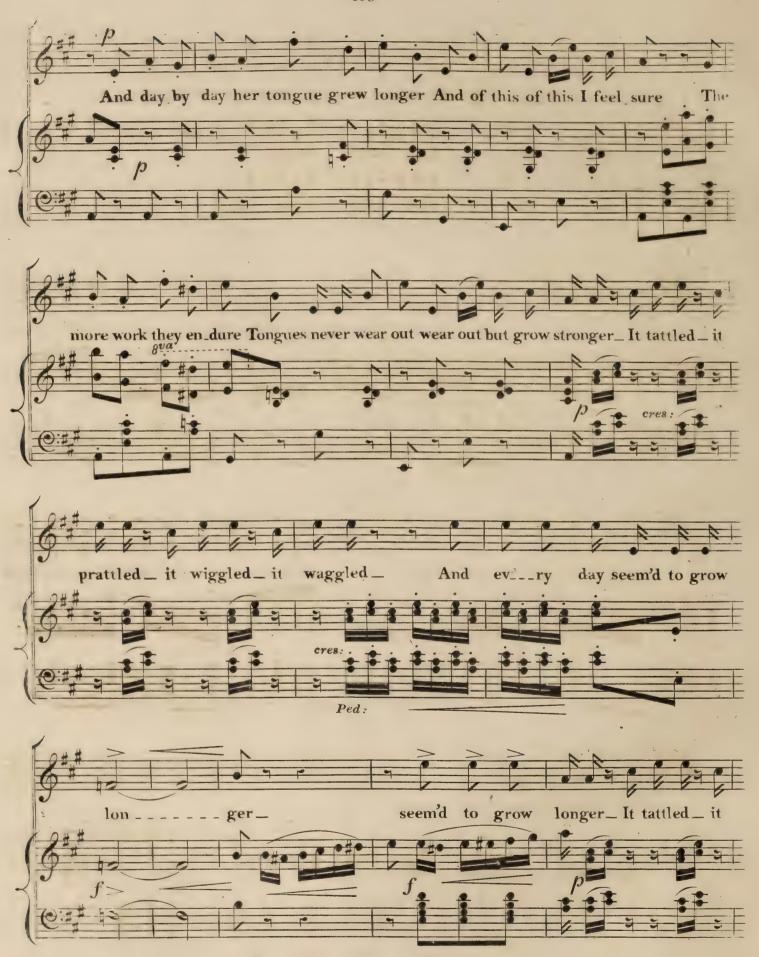
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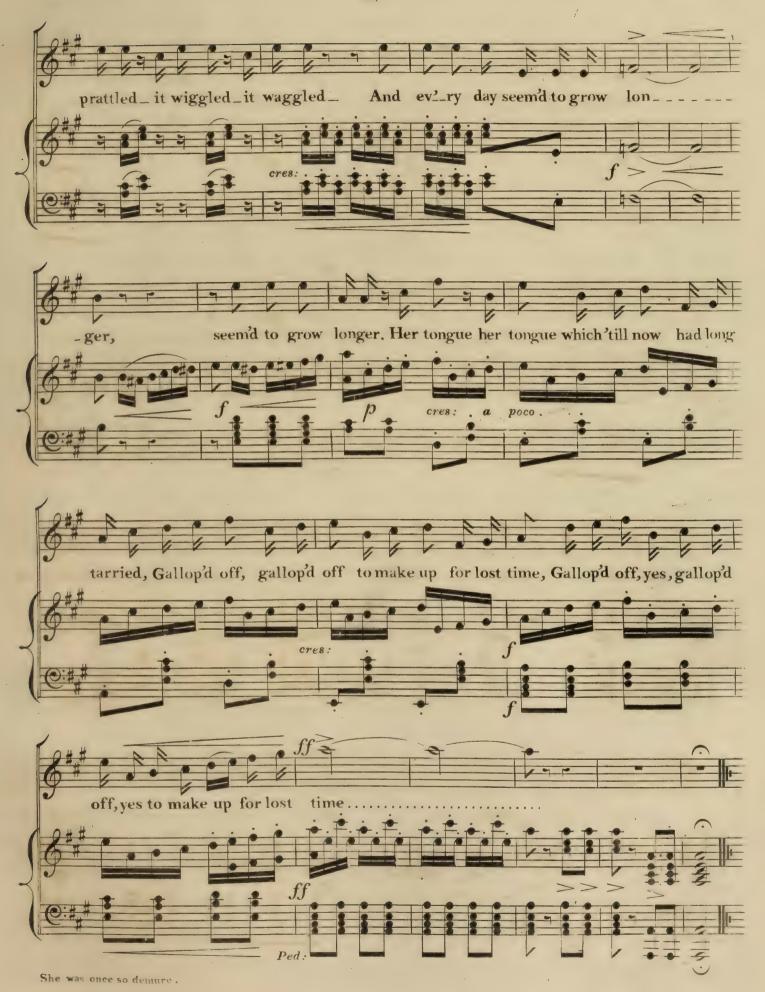
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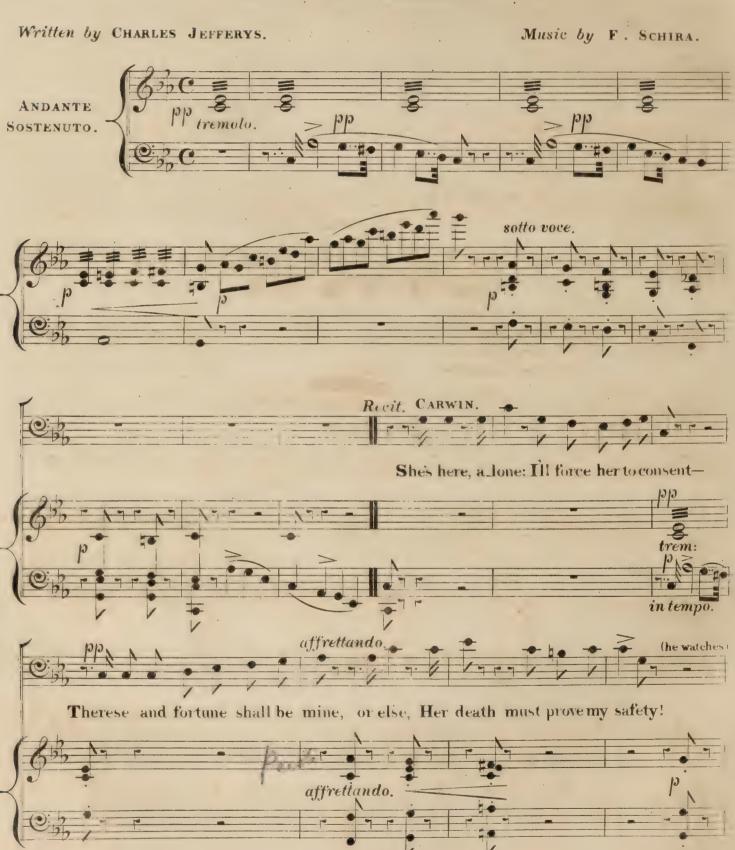


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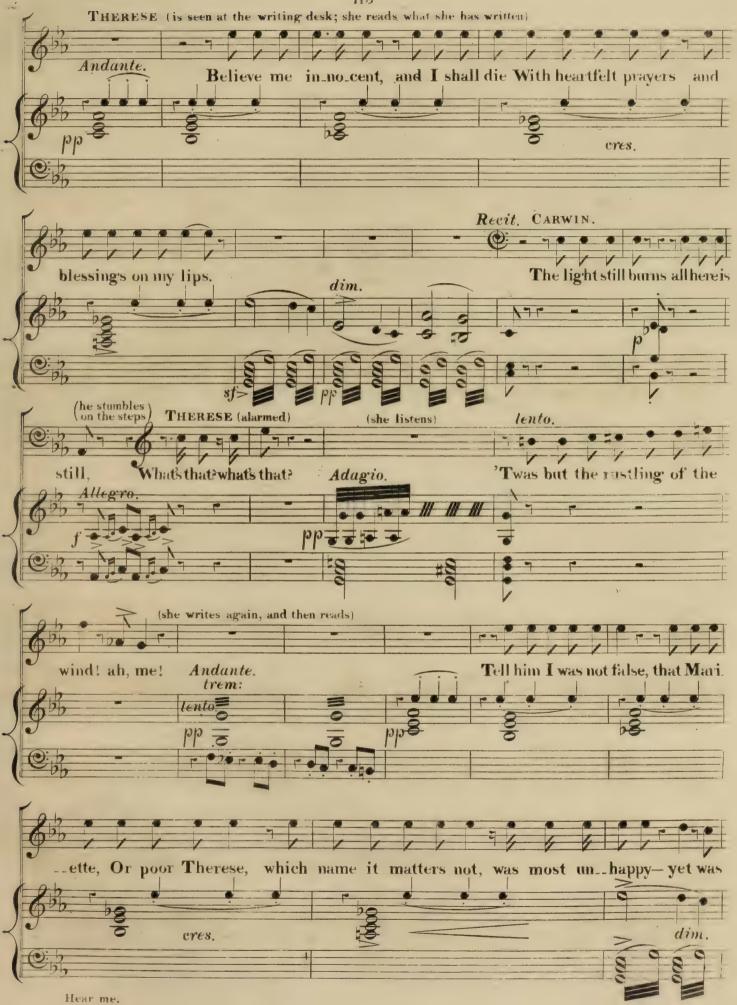


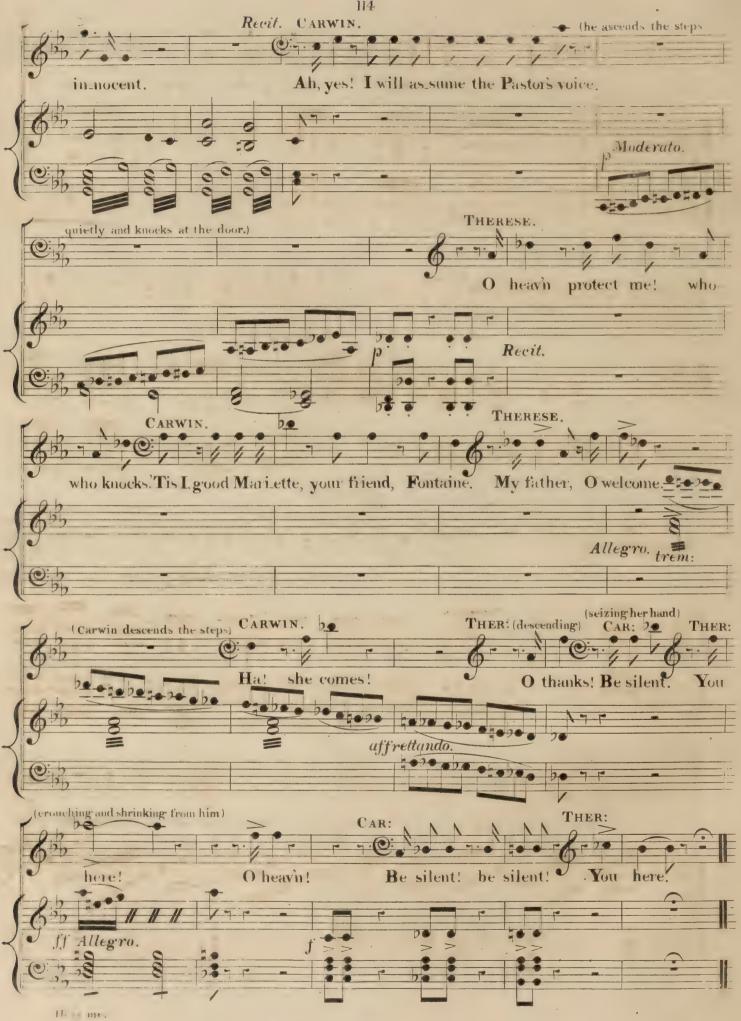
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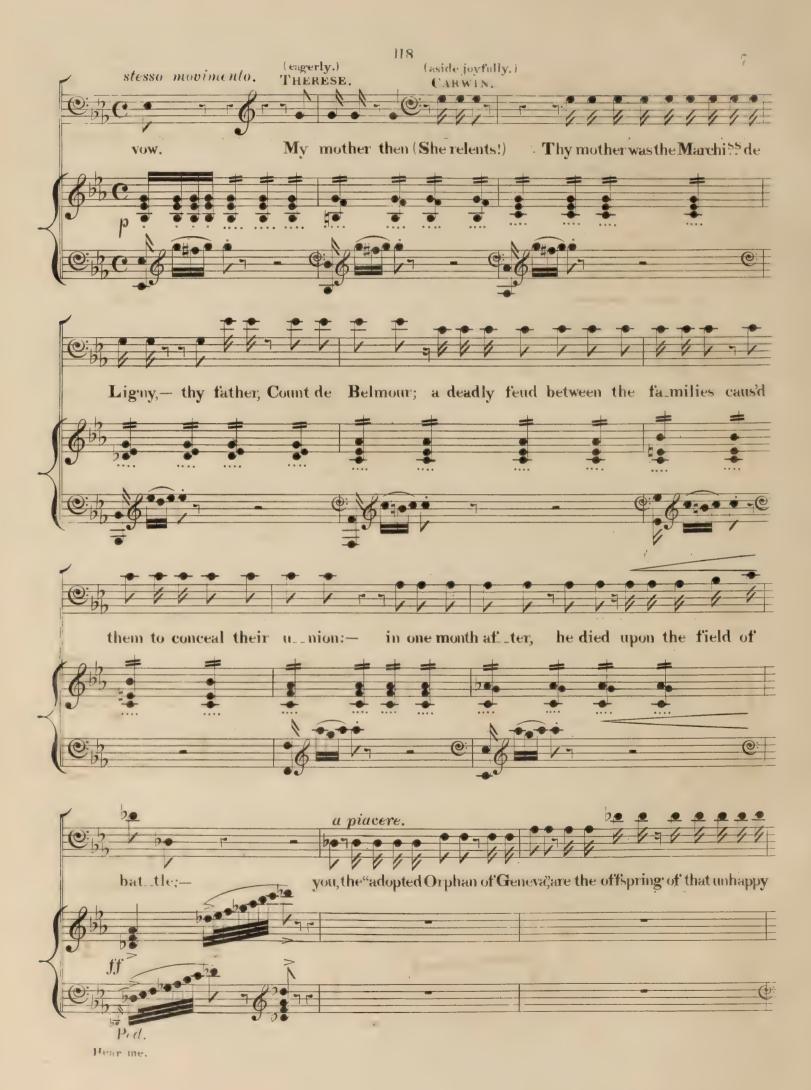




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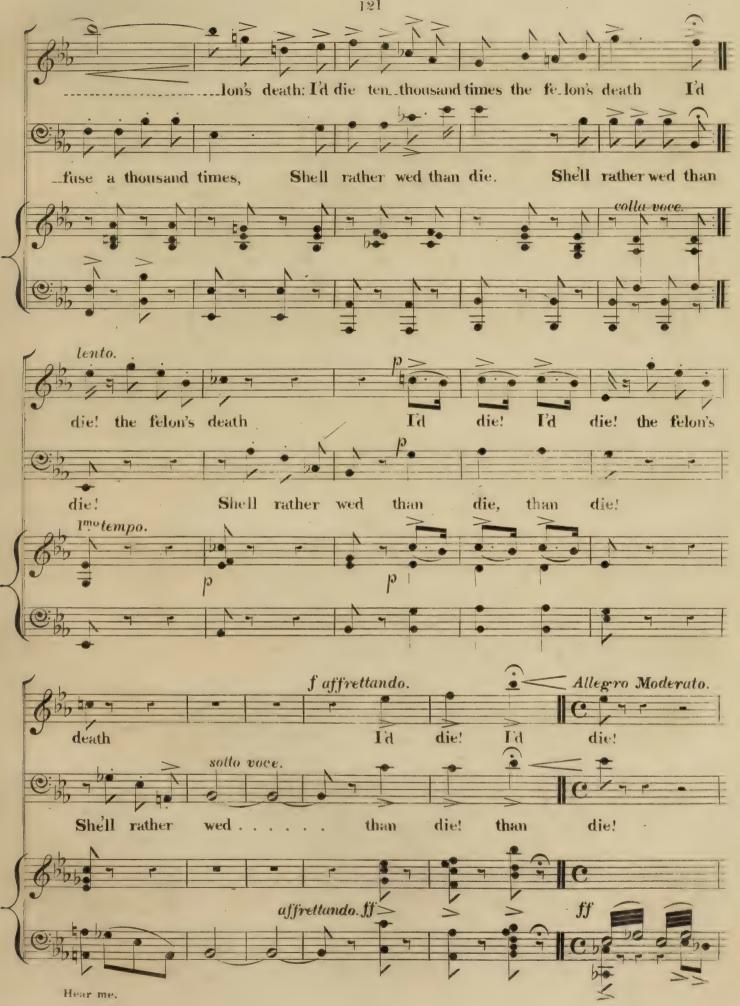
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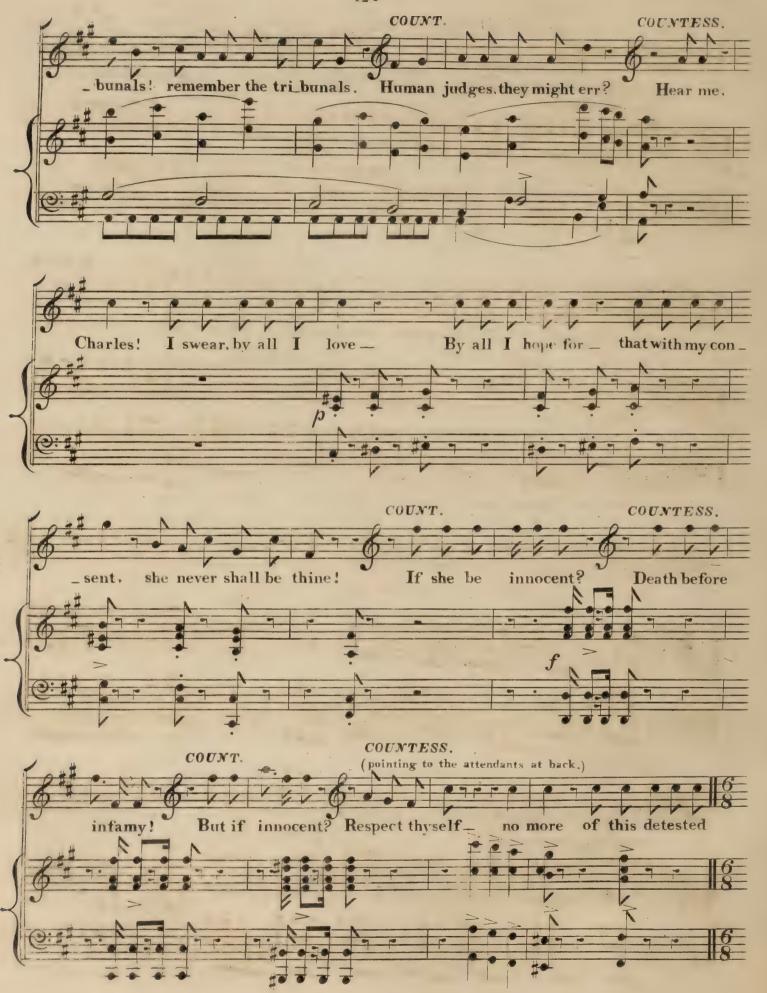




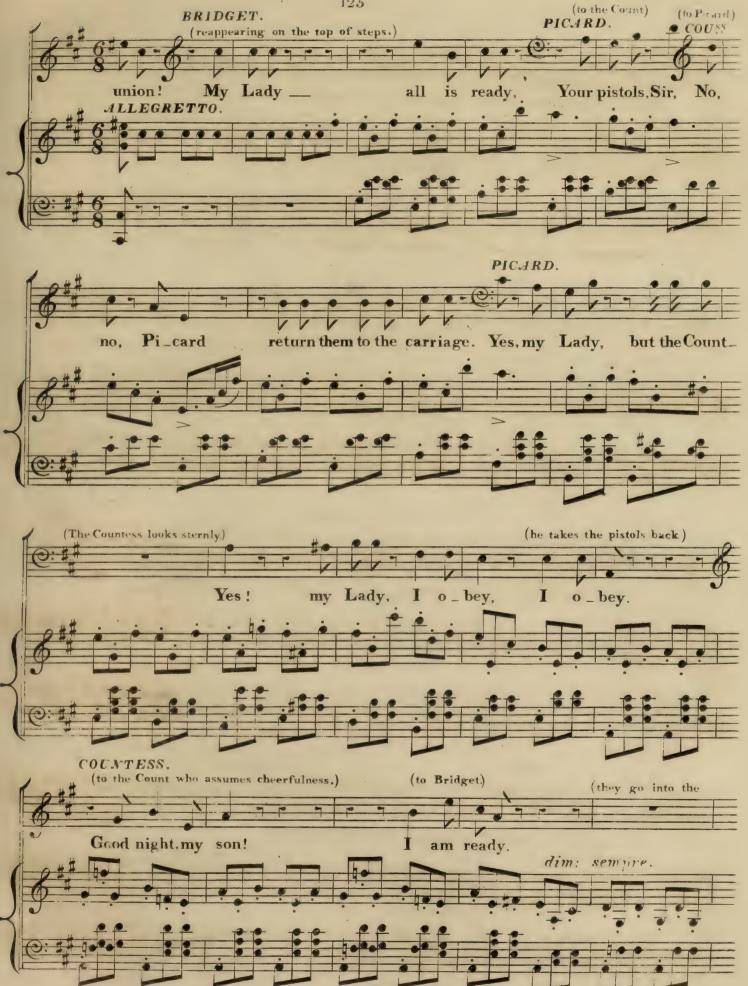
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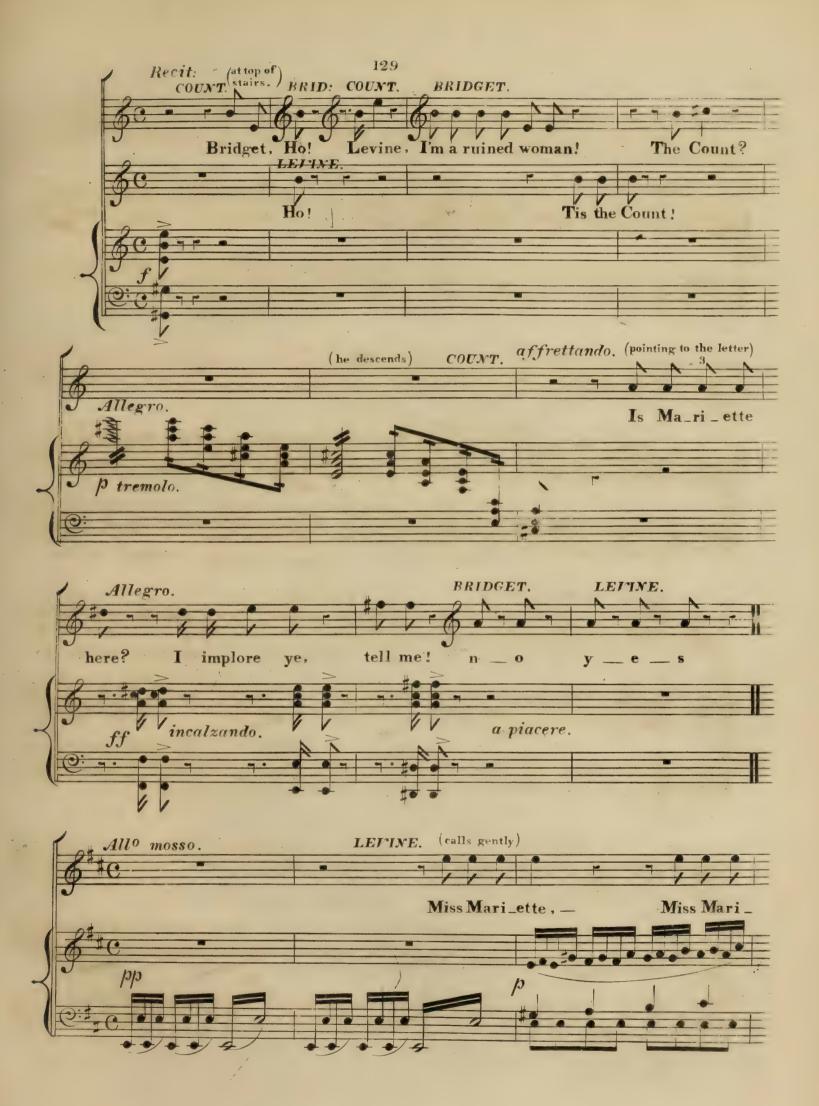


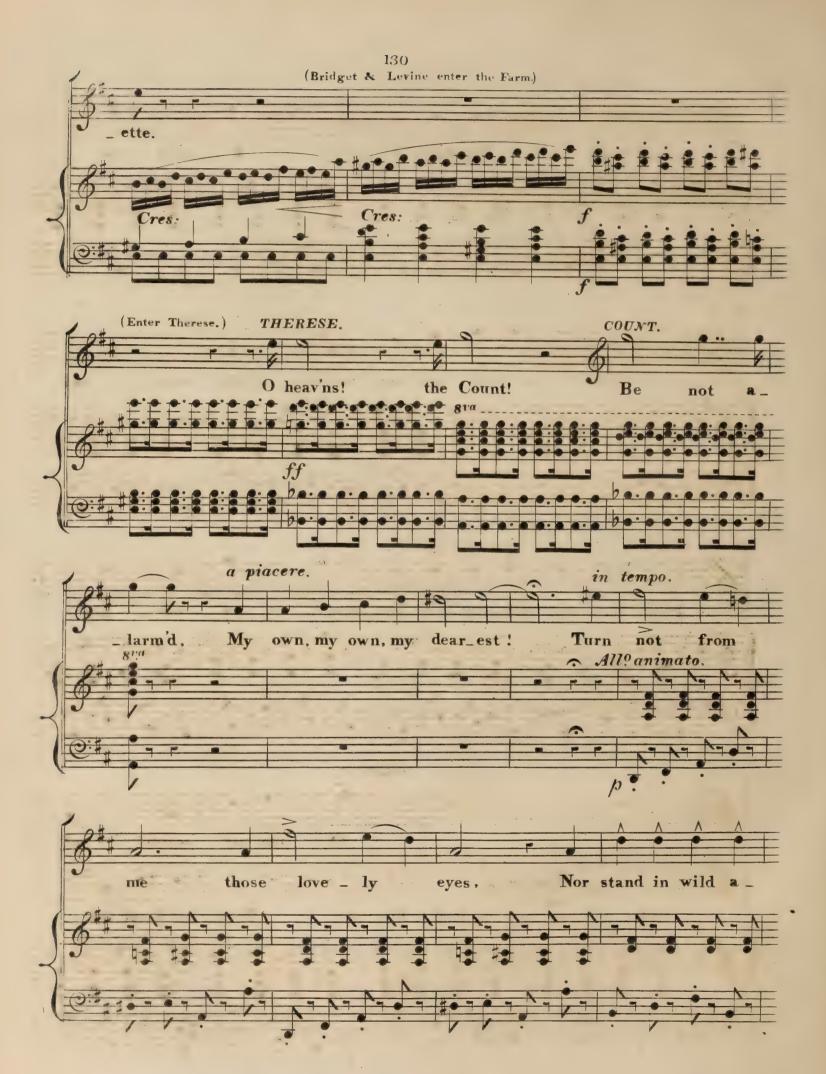






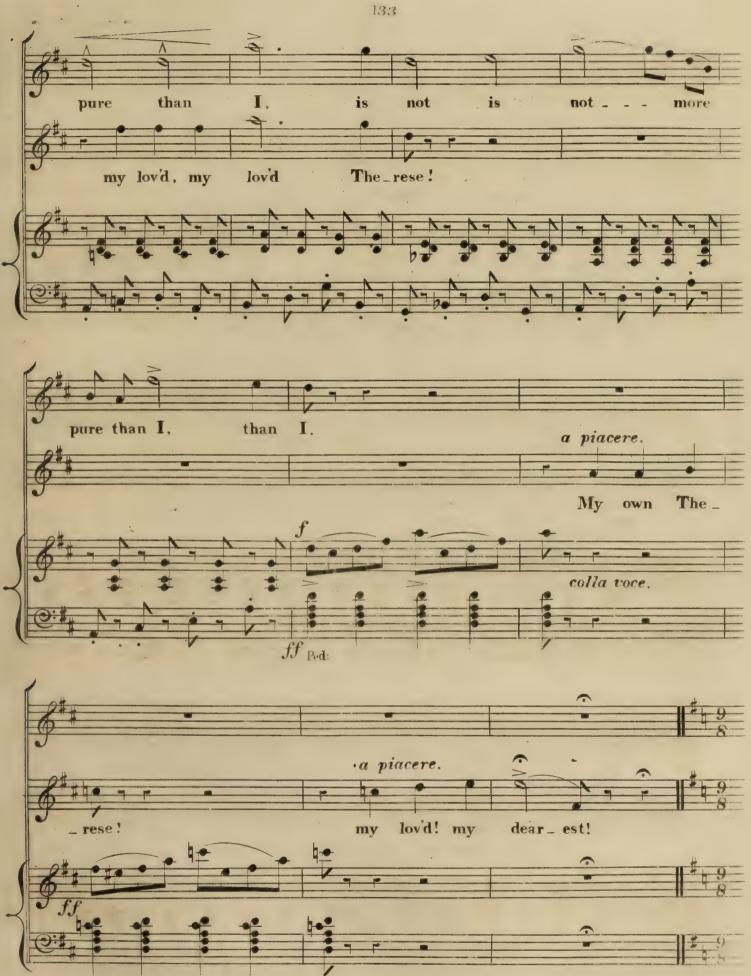


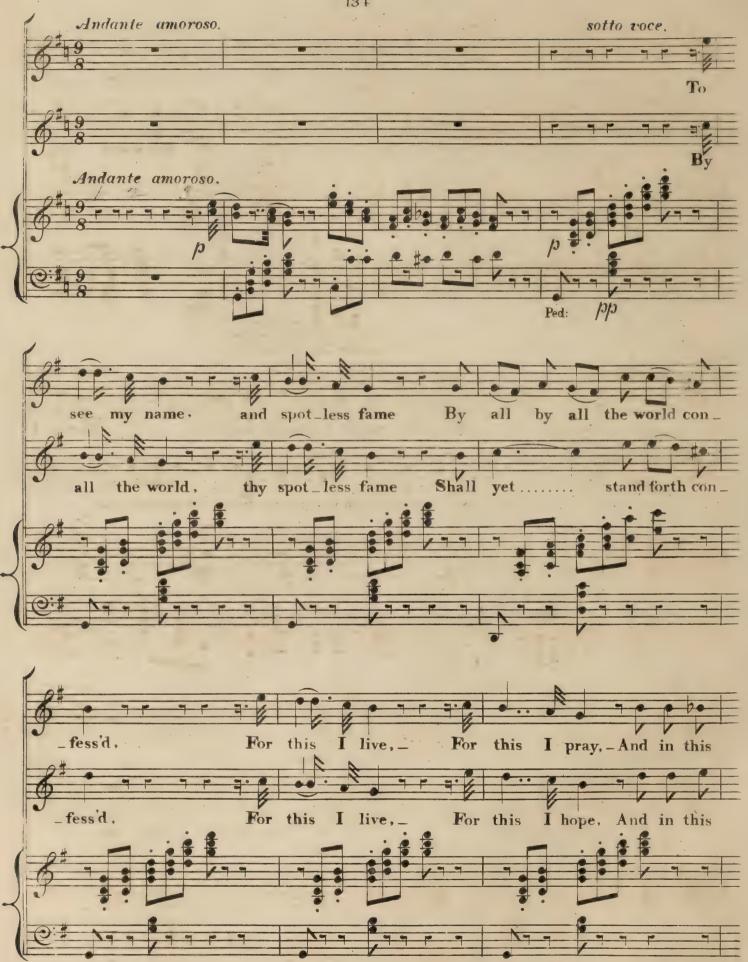




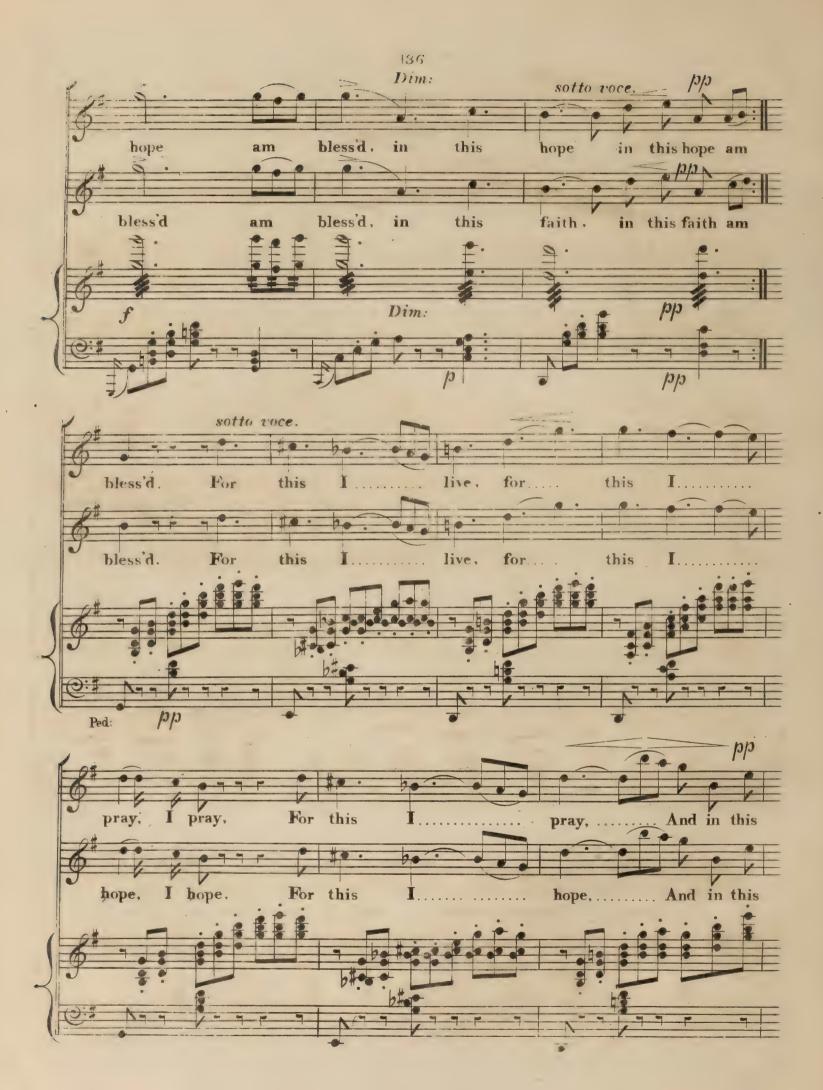


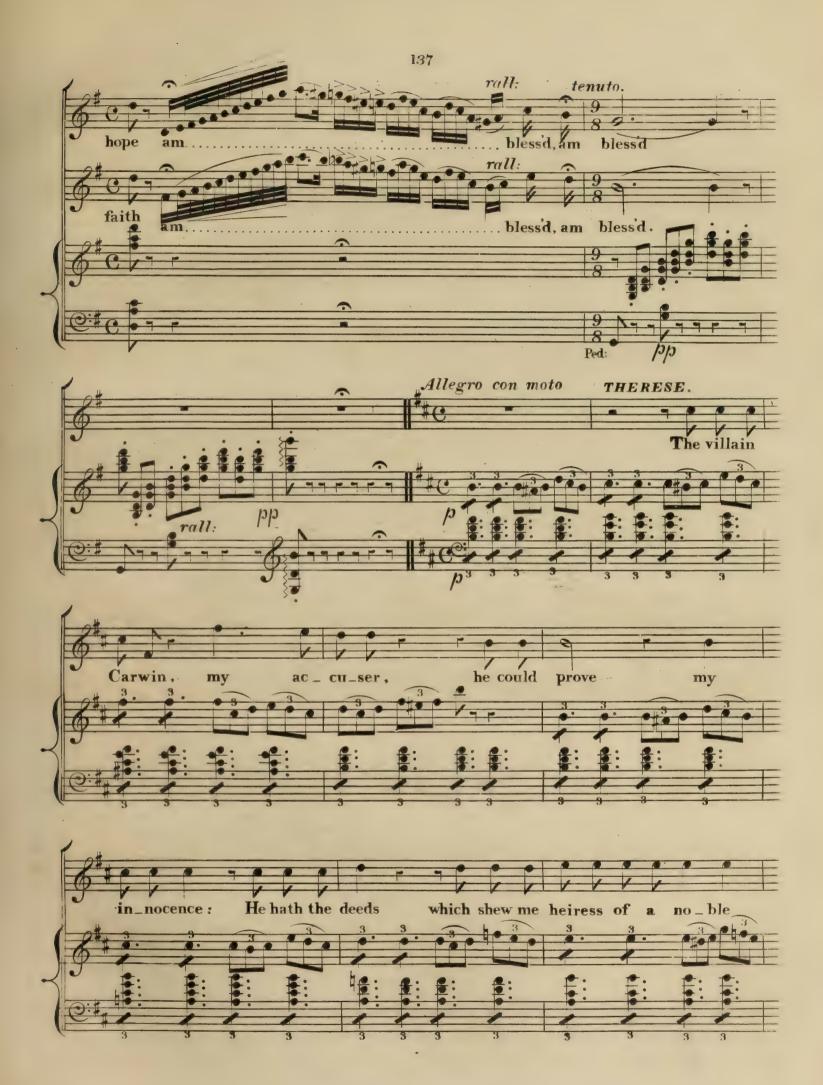


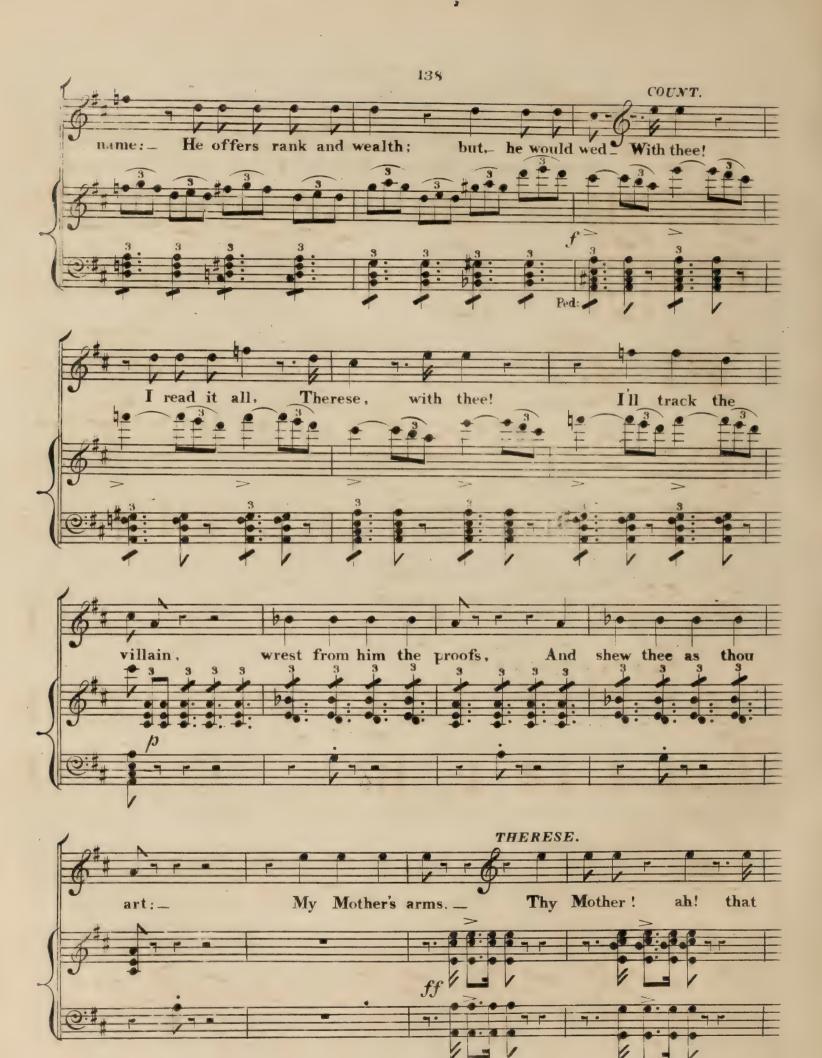


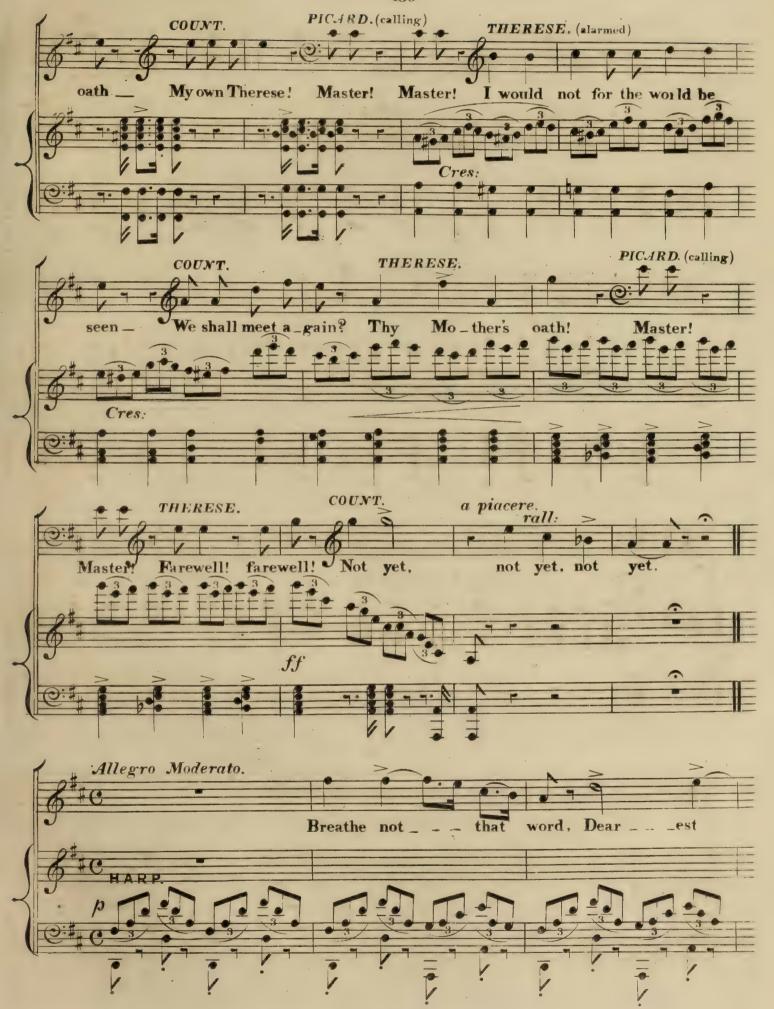








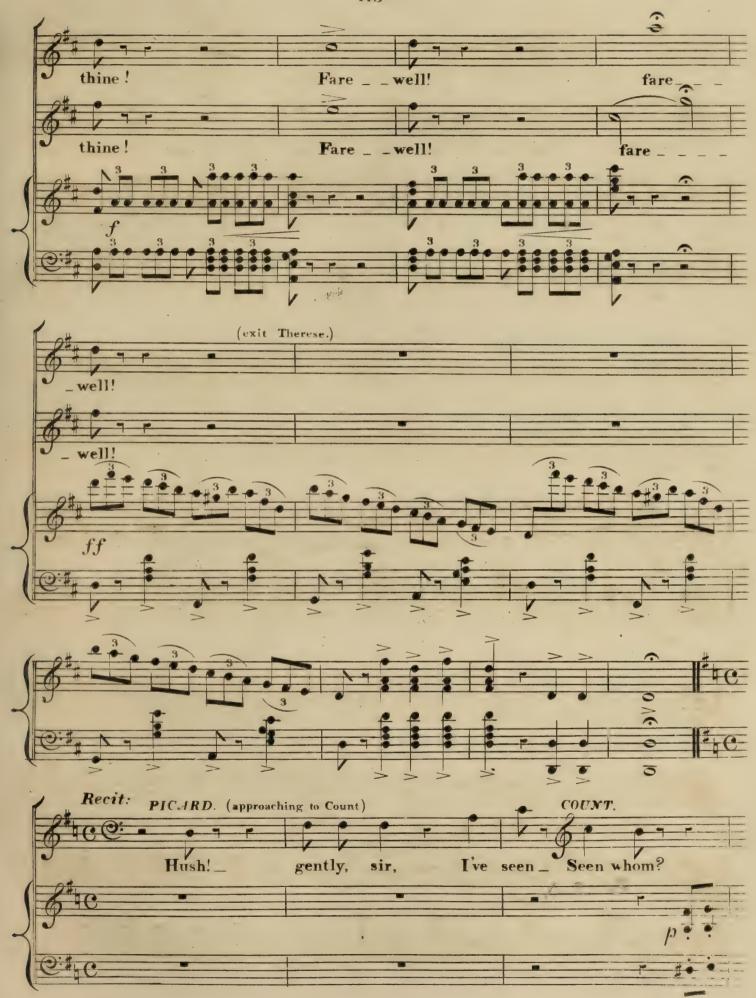


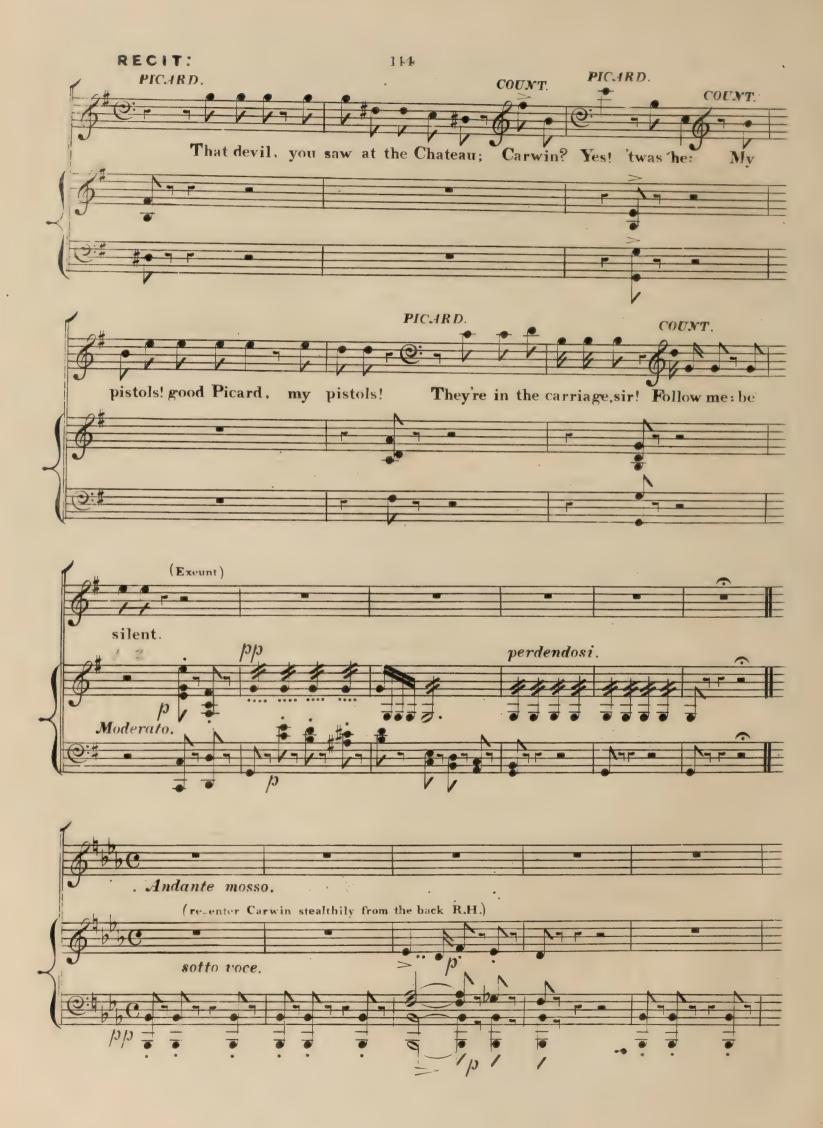




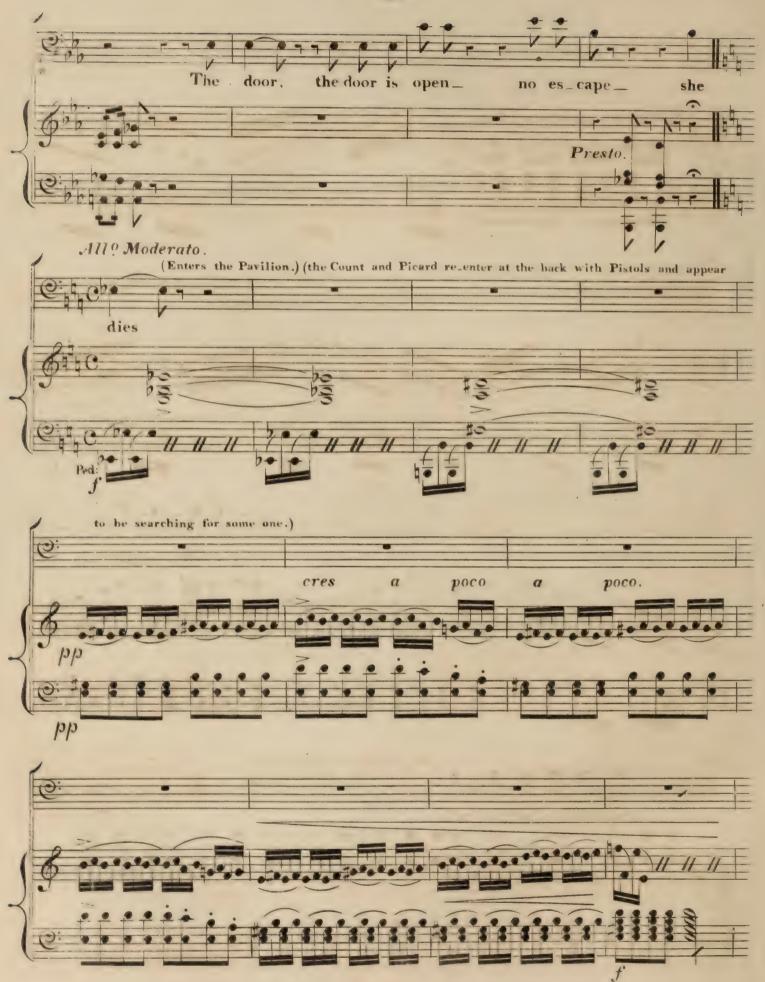




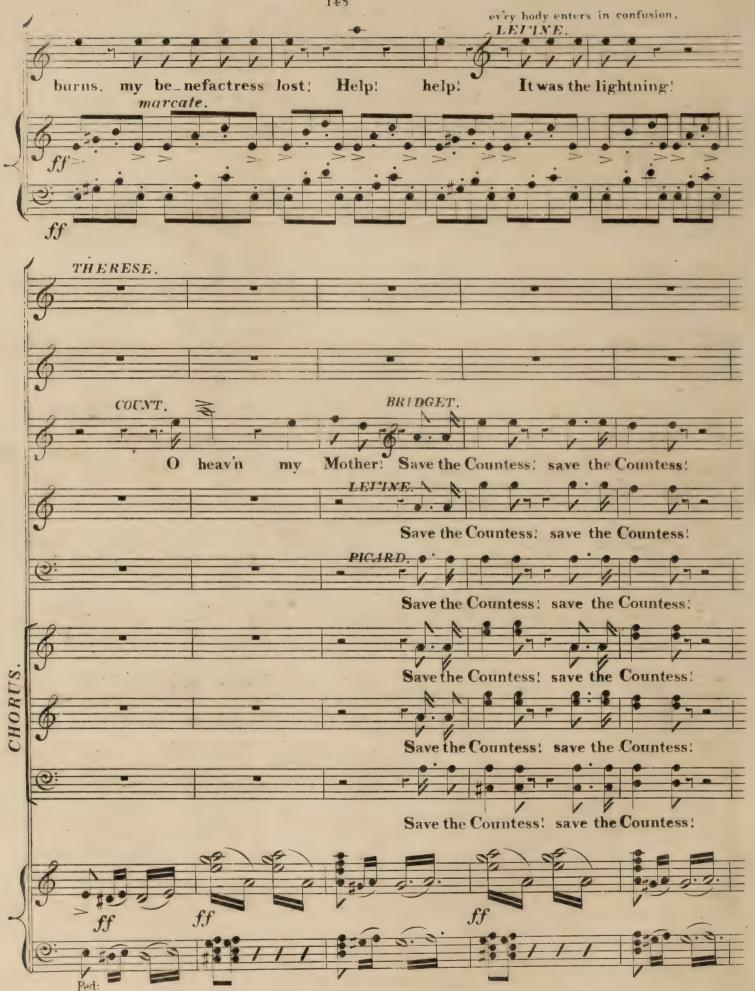




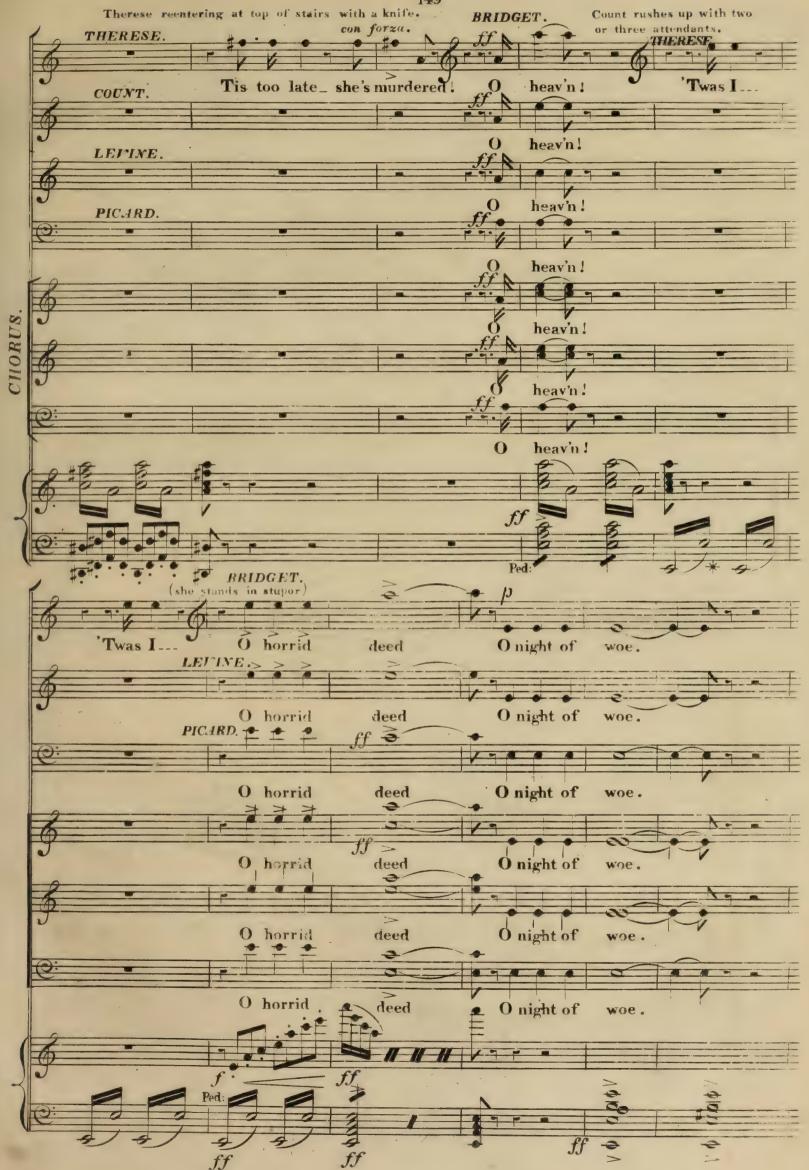


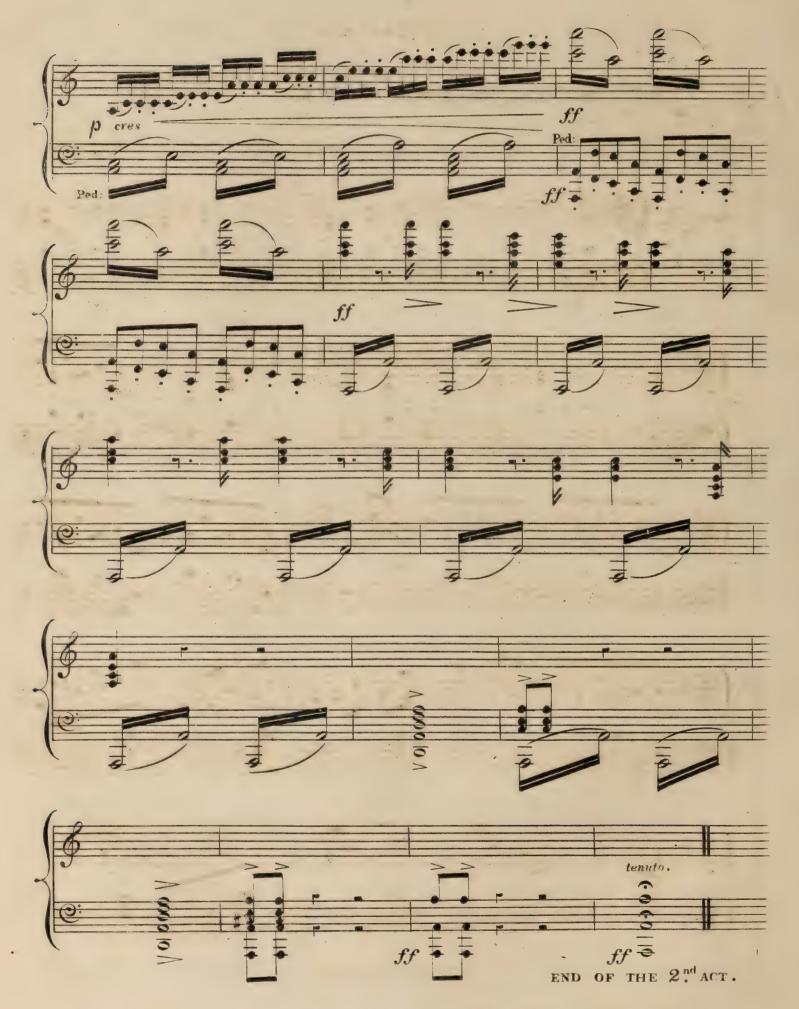








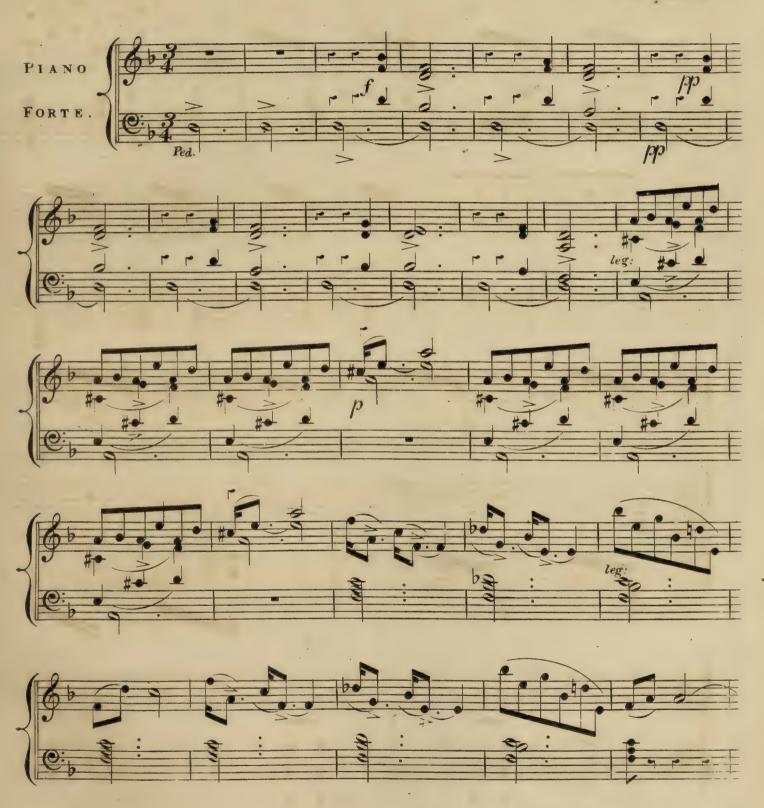




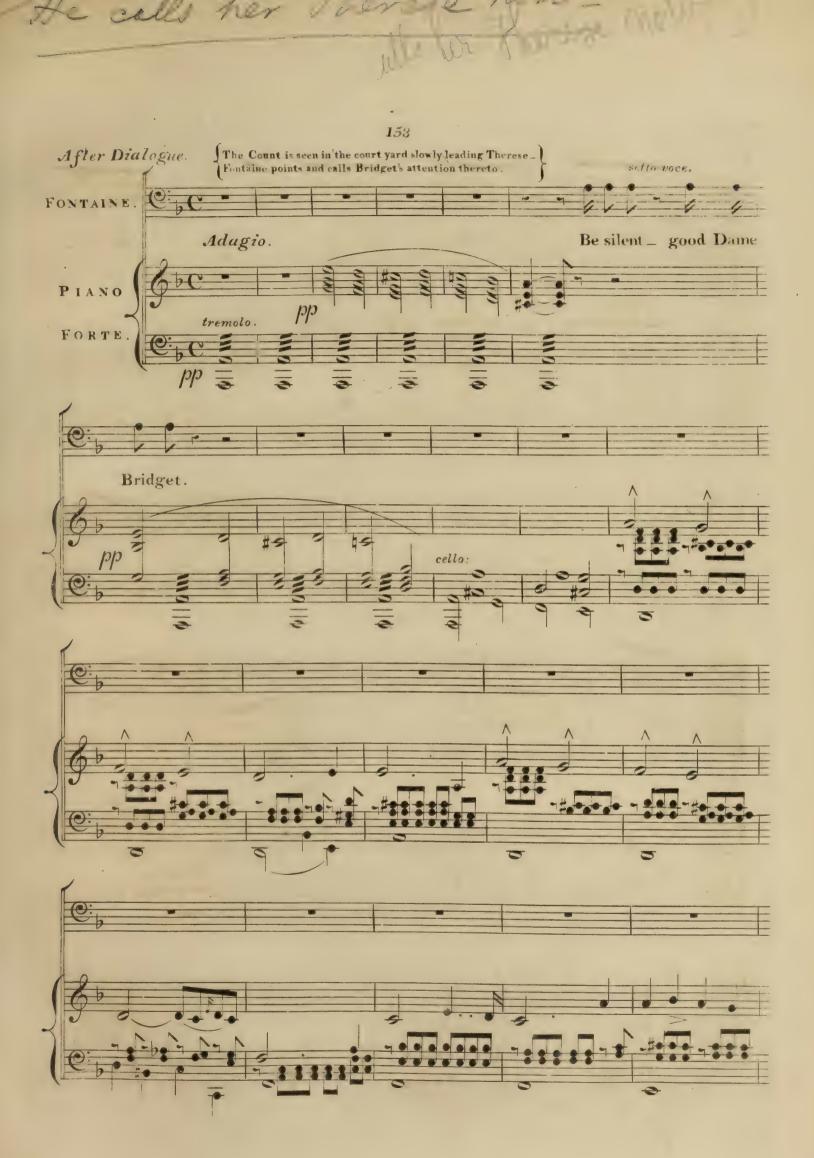
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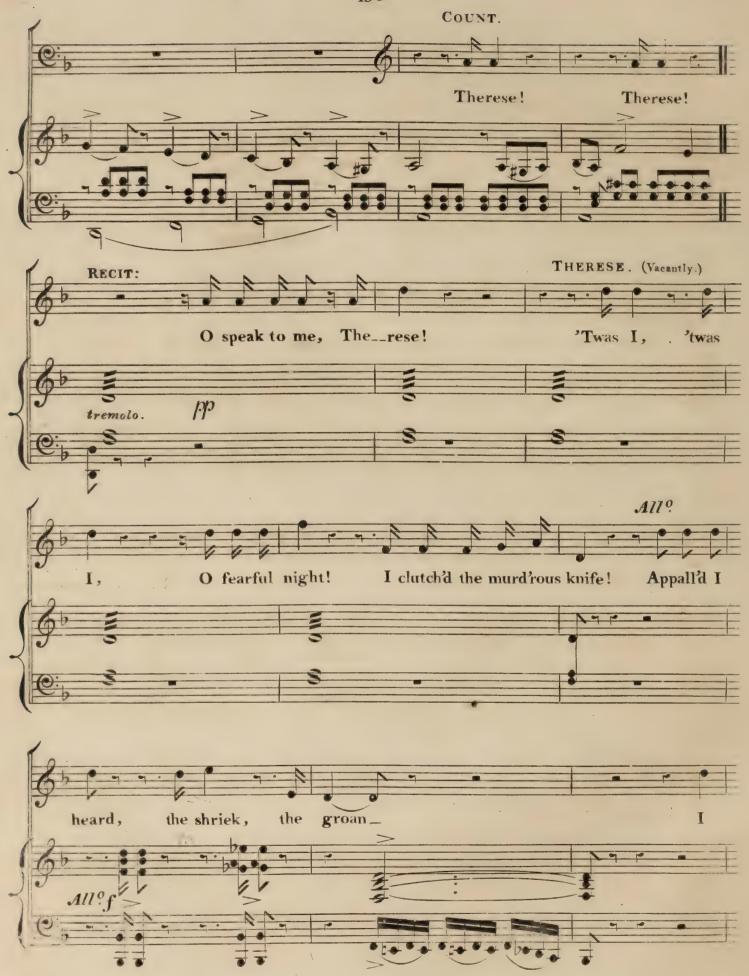
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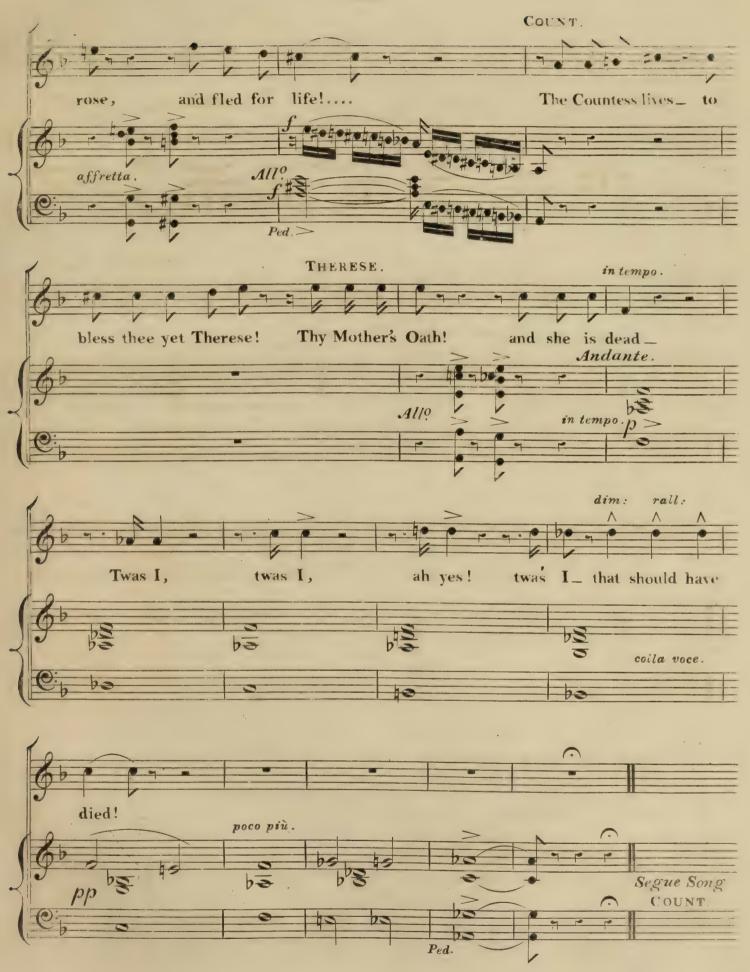
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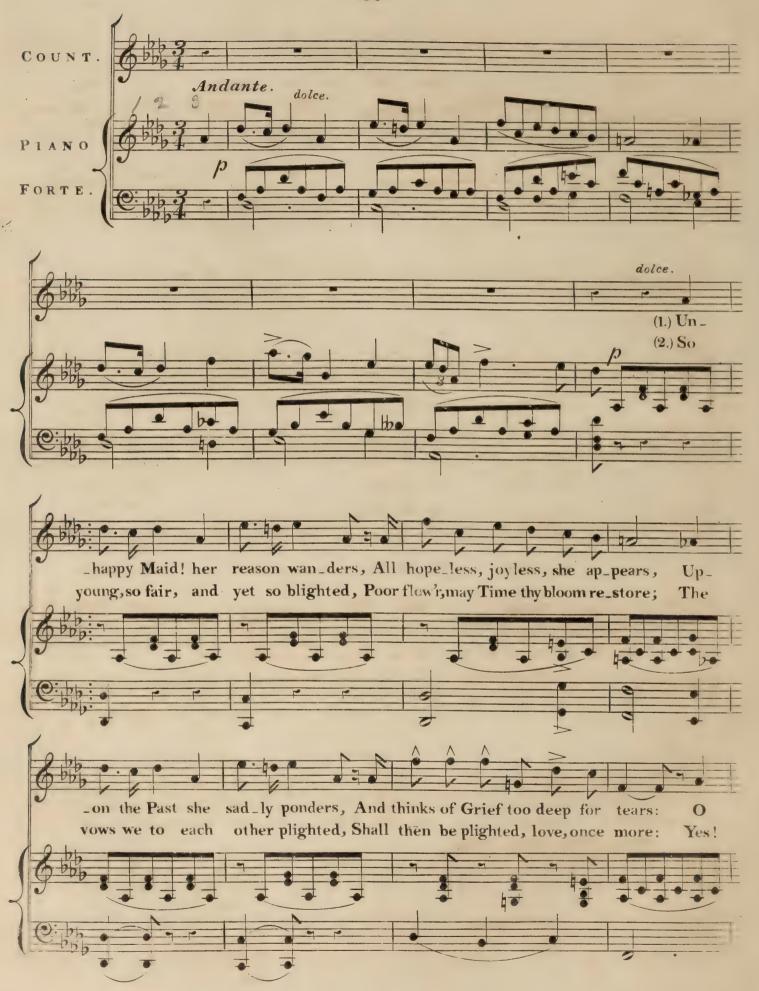


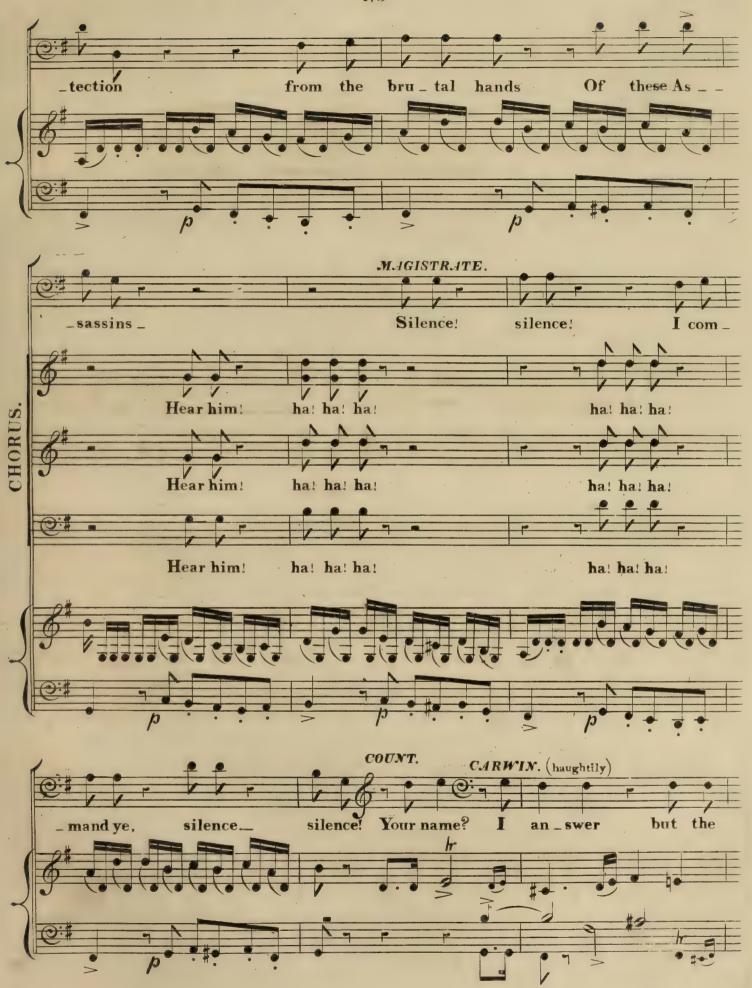




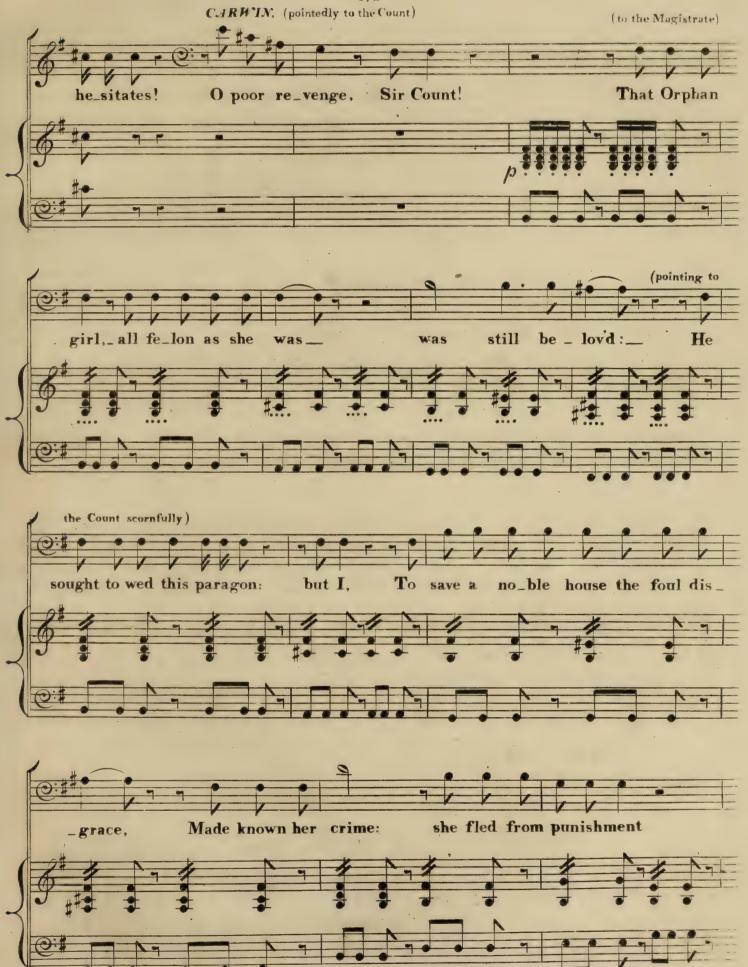


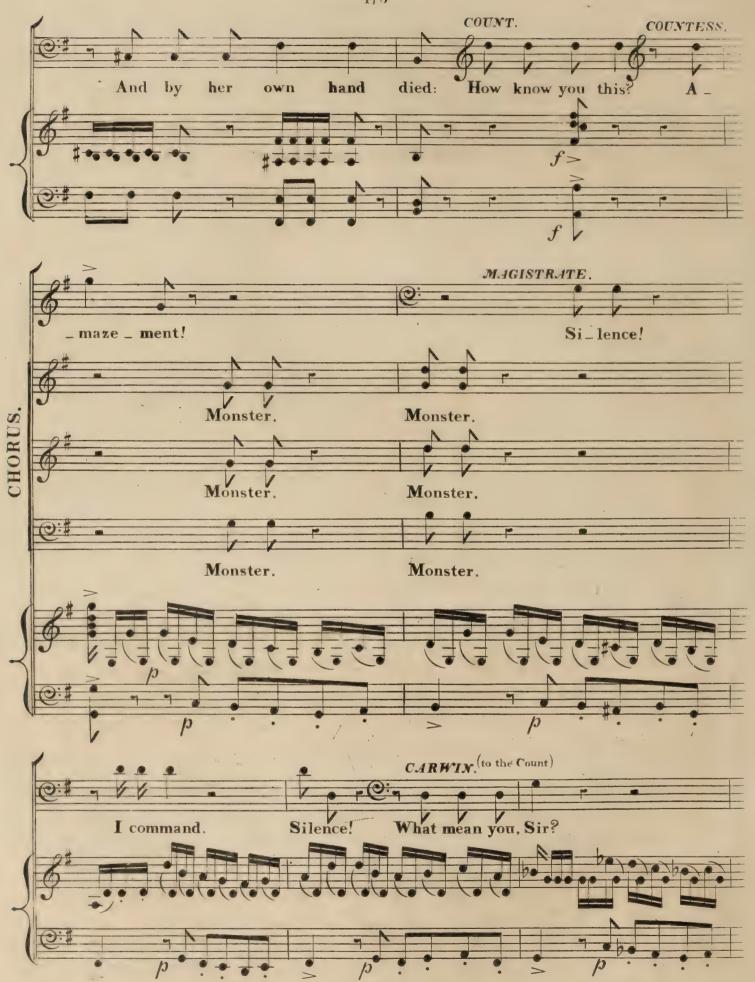


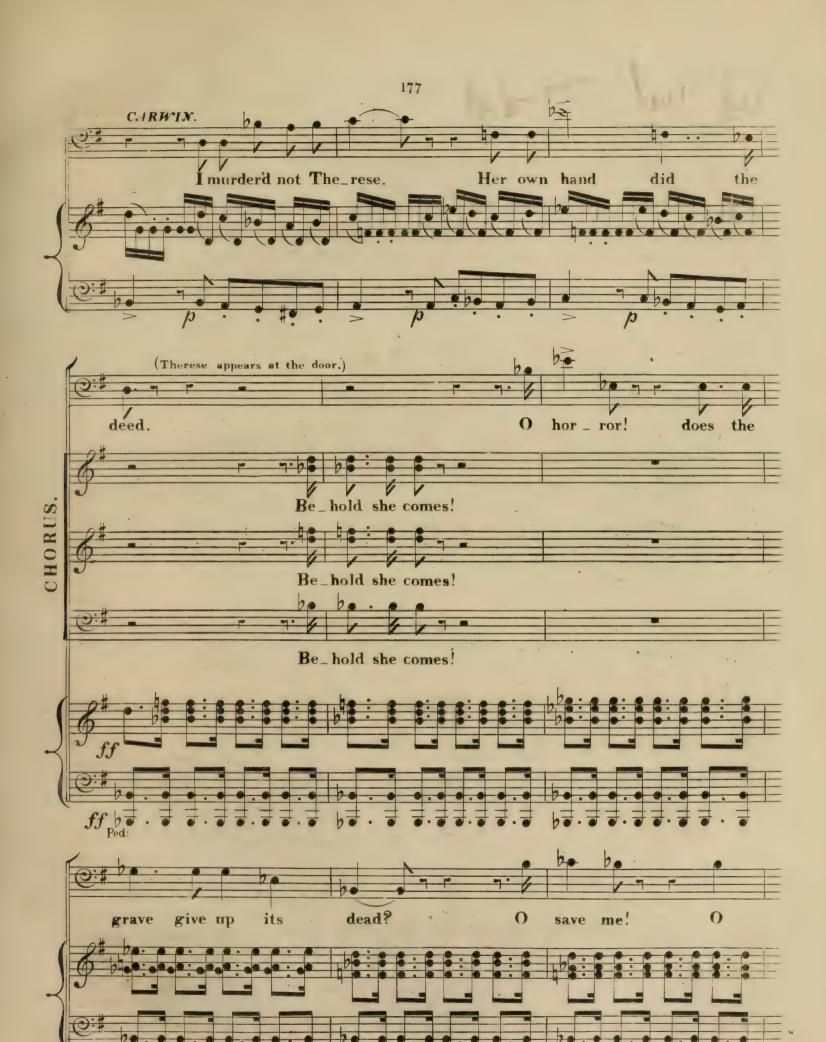


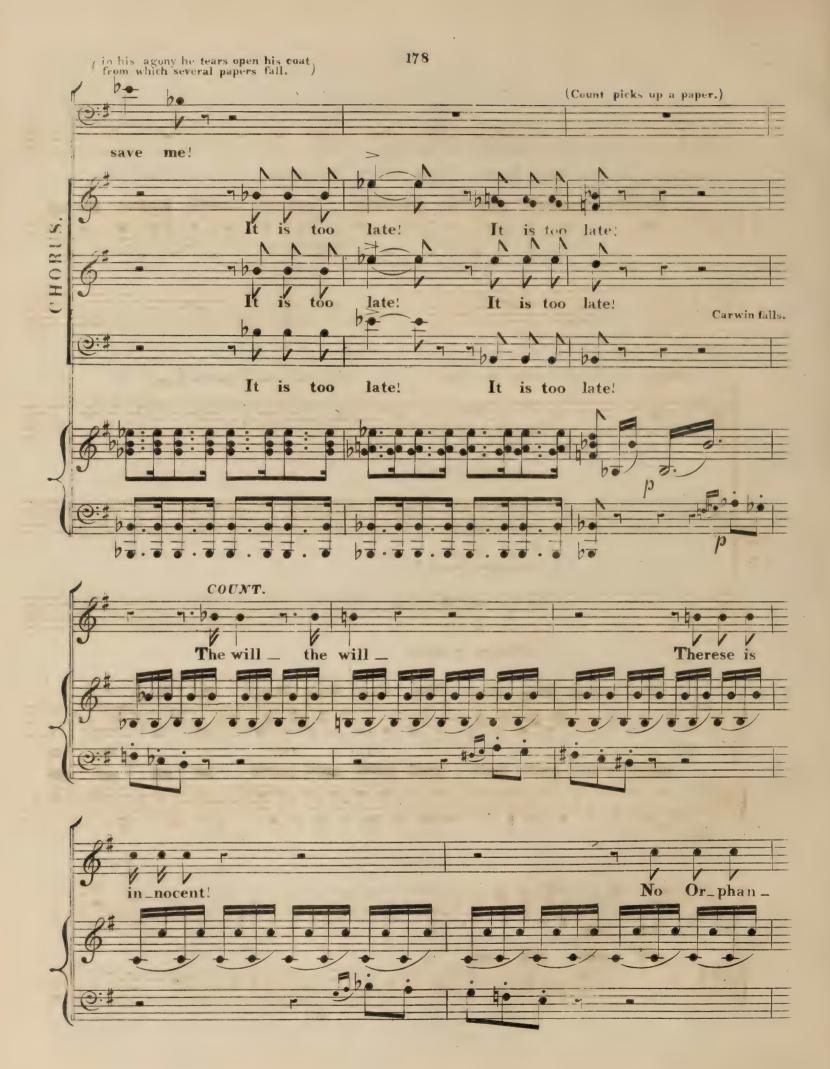














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